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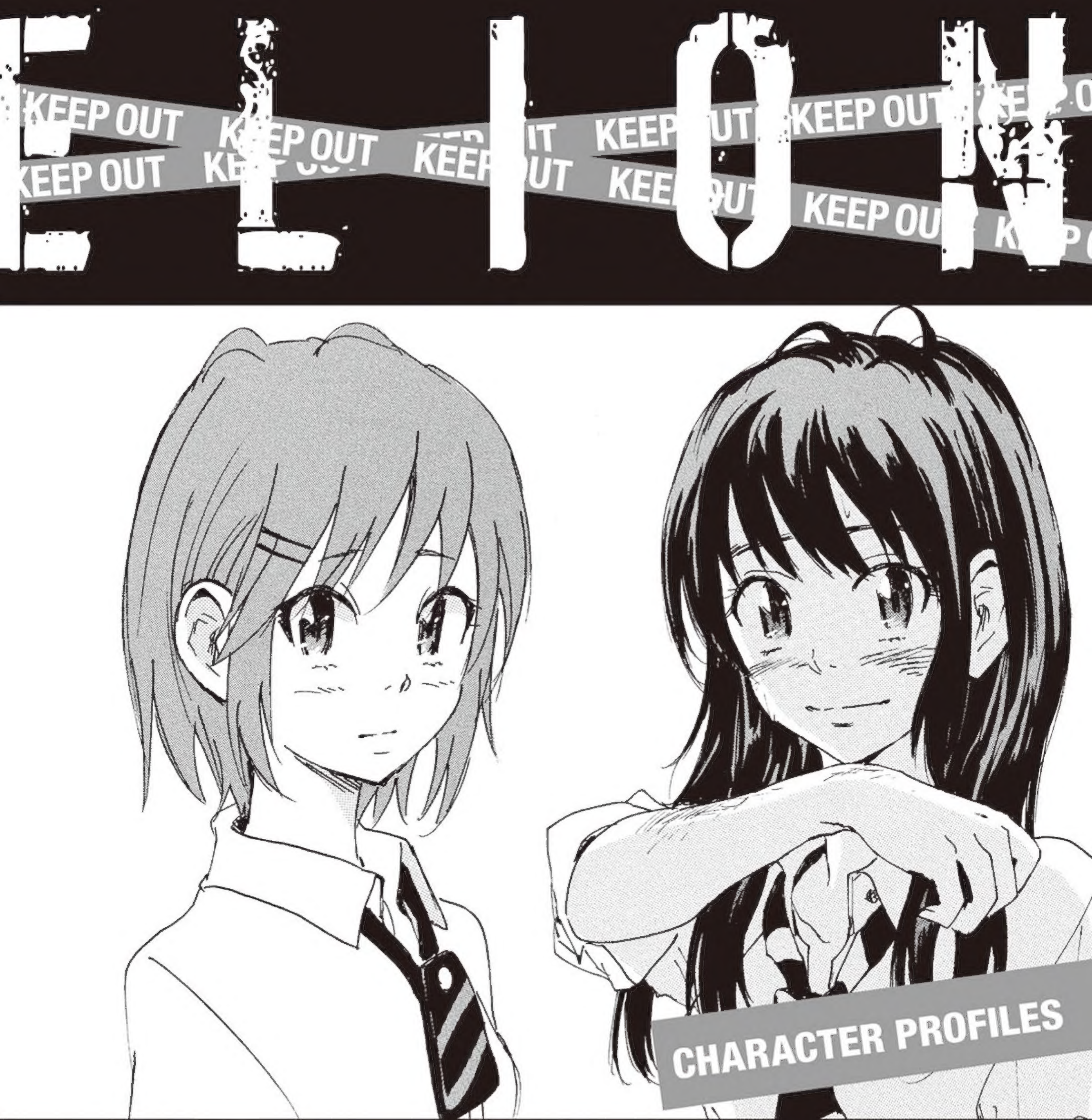

CHARACTER PROFILES

AOI FUKASAKU

(HIGH SCHOOL FIRST-YEAR)

The Medical Unit's cheerful icebreaker. Aoi has a bottomless stomach and a bright personality, but was thought to be a useless, poor student otherwise—except a mysterious power sleeps inside her, as the "complete" Coppelion...

IBARA NARUSE

(HIGH SCHOOL THIRD-YEAR)

Leader of the Coppelion Medical Unit. She possesses staggering athletic ability, and her combat skills are excellent. Relying on her strong conviction to save everyone in Tokyo to give her strength, she leads the search for survivors. Her speech can be a bit rough.

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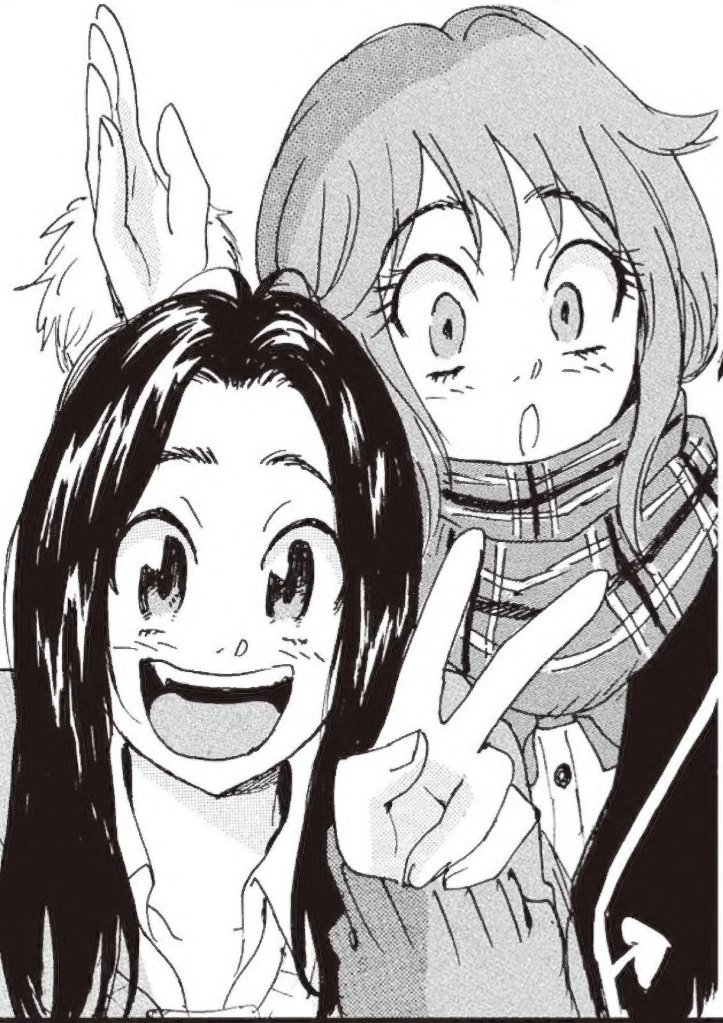

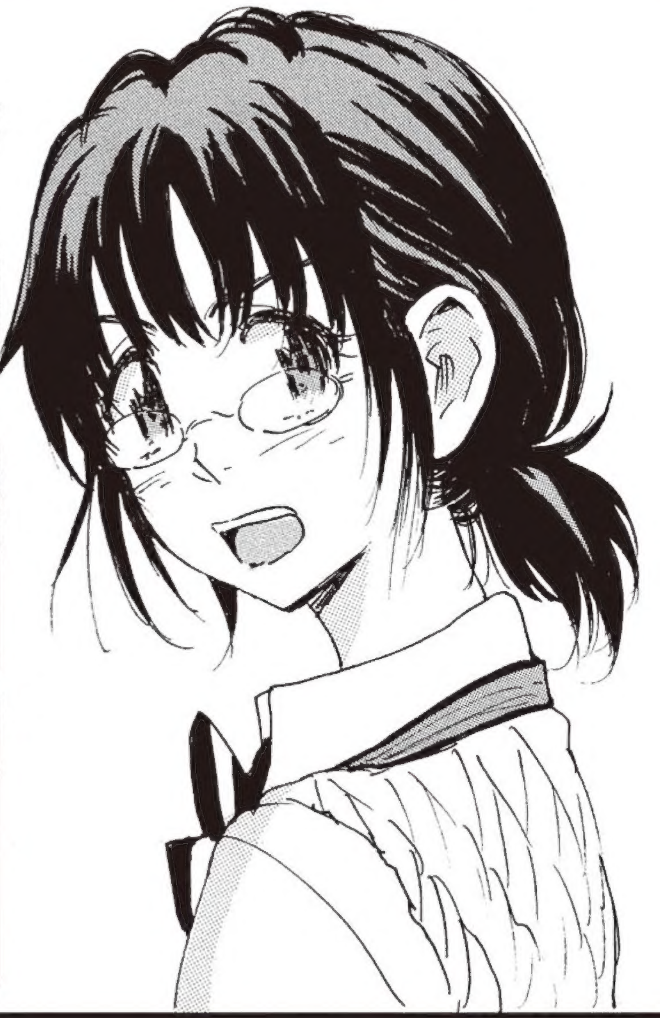

OZU SISTERS

(HIGH SCHOOL THIRD-YEARS)

Twin sisters in the Cleanup Crew. Kanon (right), the older sister, can generate lightning, and Shion (left), the younger sister, has super strength. They're both incredibly violent, but reformed after their battle with Ibara.

TAEKO NOMURA

(HIGH SCHOOL FIRST-YEAR)

The Medical Unit's comforting member. She's quite knowledgeable and has superhuman senses (she wears glasses to reduce her eyesight to 10% of its true strength, because she sees too far). She loves animals.

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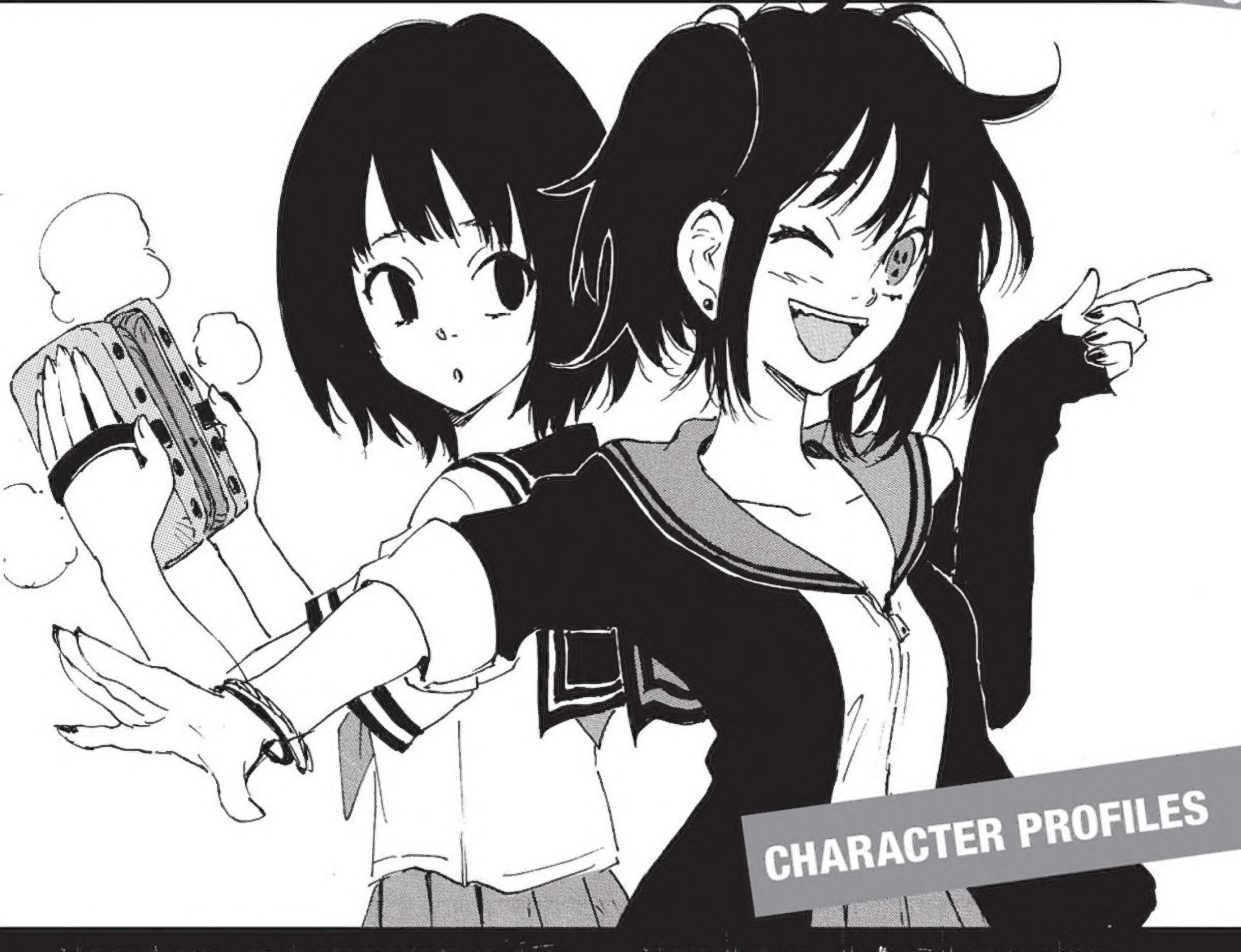

CHARACTER PROFILES

MANA TSUBURAYA
(HIGH SCHOOL SECOND-YEAR)

A second-year Coppelion. She's a defect with a "bug"—her body releases neutrons. She possesses incredible power. She's best friends with Meisa Ichikawa, but is currently working with Ibara and company.

MEISA ICHIKAWA
(HIGH SCHOOL SECOND-YEAR)

A second-year Coppelion. She can disassemble and reassemble her body at the atomic level, a power which she calls "particle break." She's working under Dr. Coppelius against Ibara and the others so that he'll fix the second-years' defect. She likes online games.

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KEEP OUT
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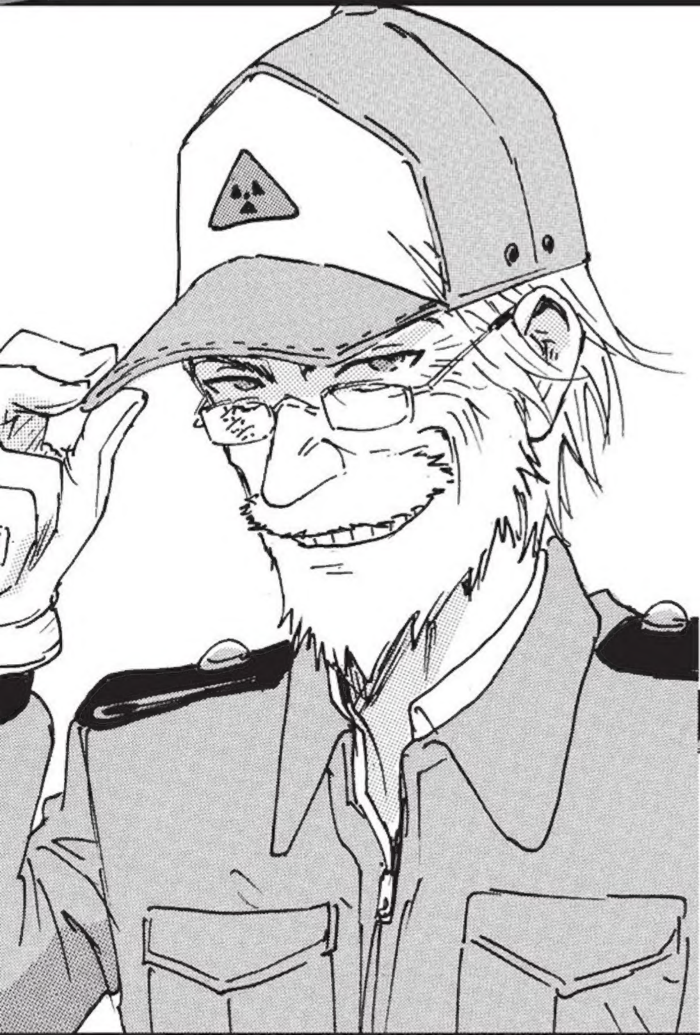
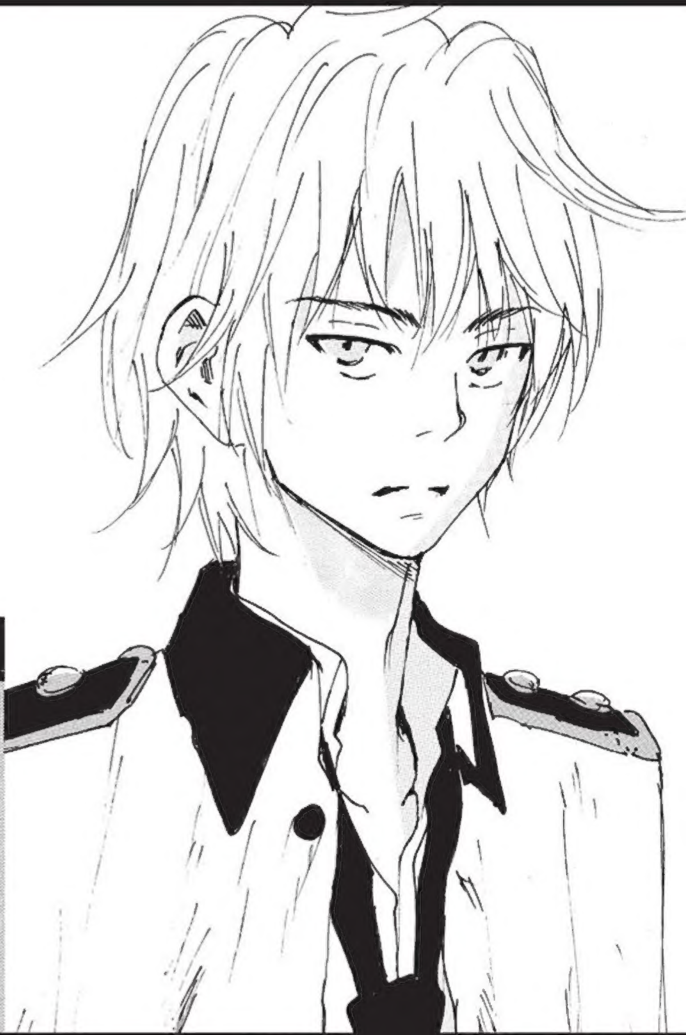




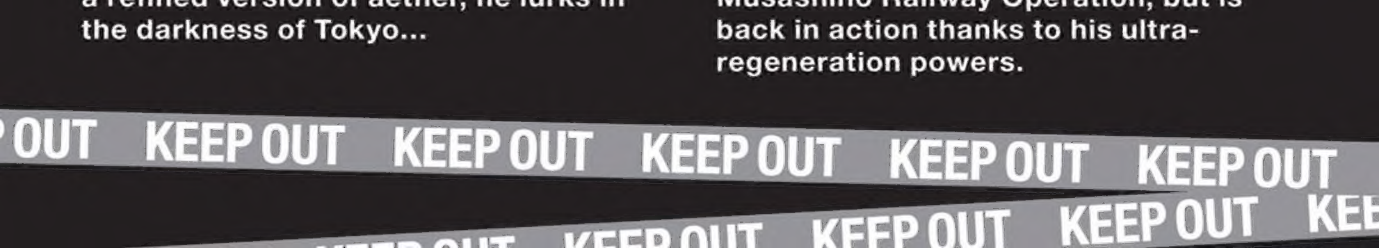
DR. COPPELIUS

The mad scientist who created the Coppelion. He's using the second-years to help carry out his "grand plan." His target: Aoi Fukasaku, the complete Coppelion. Equipped with "aether plus," a refined version of aether, he lurks in the darkness of Tokyo...

HARUTO KUROSAWA

(HIGH SCHOOL THIRD-YEAR)

The leader of the Cleanup Crew, and Dr. Coppelius' clone. He has a brilliant mind and always keeps his cool. He was thought to have died during the Musashino Railway Operation, but is back in action thanks to his ultra-regeneration powers.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COPPELION
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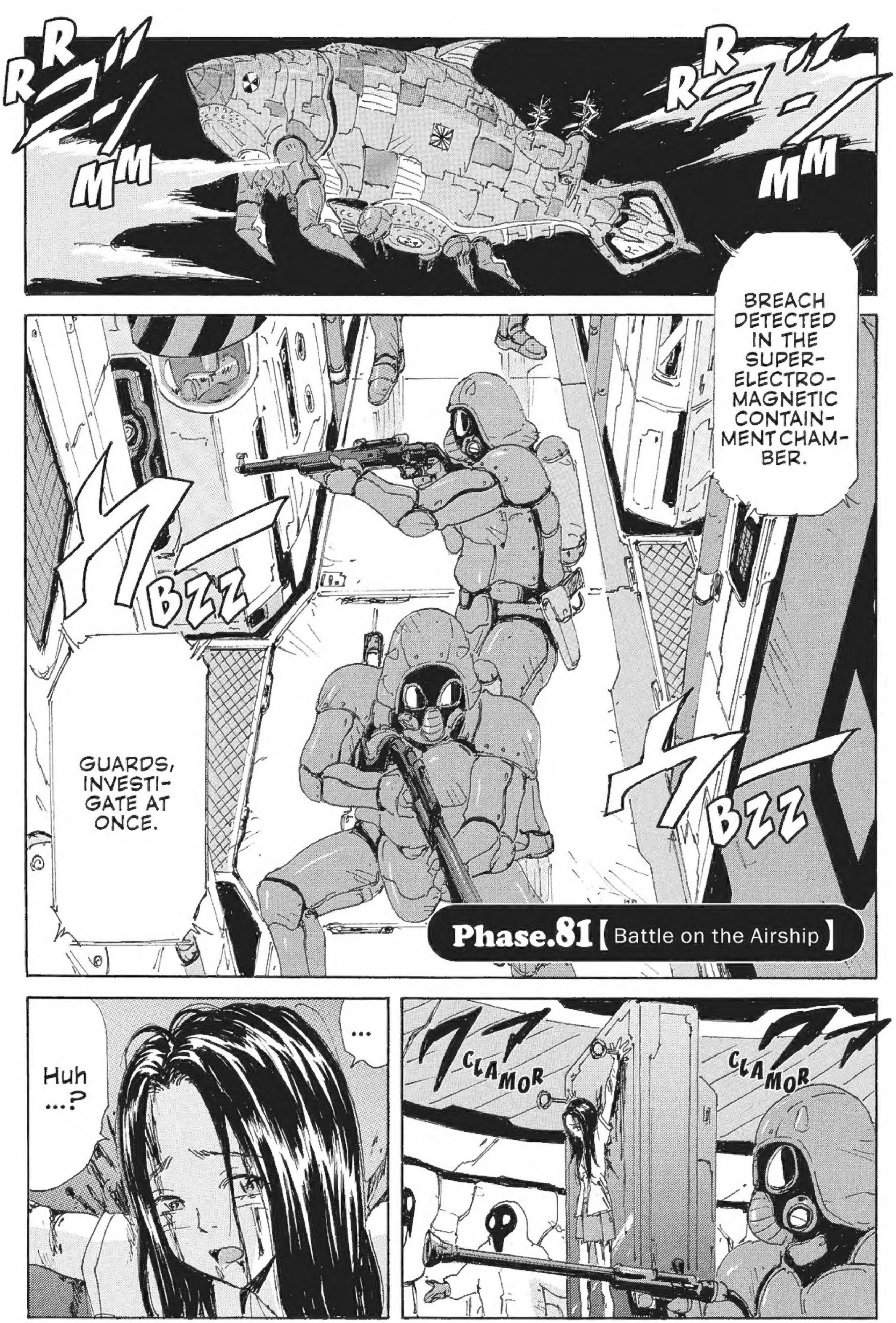
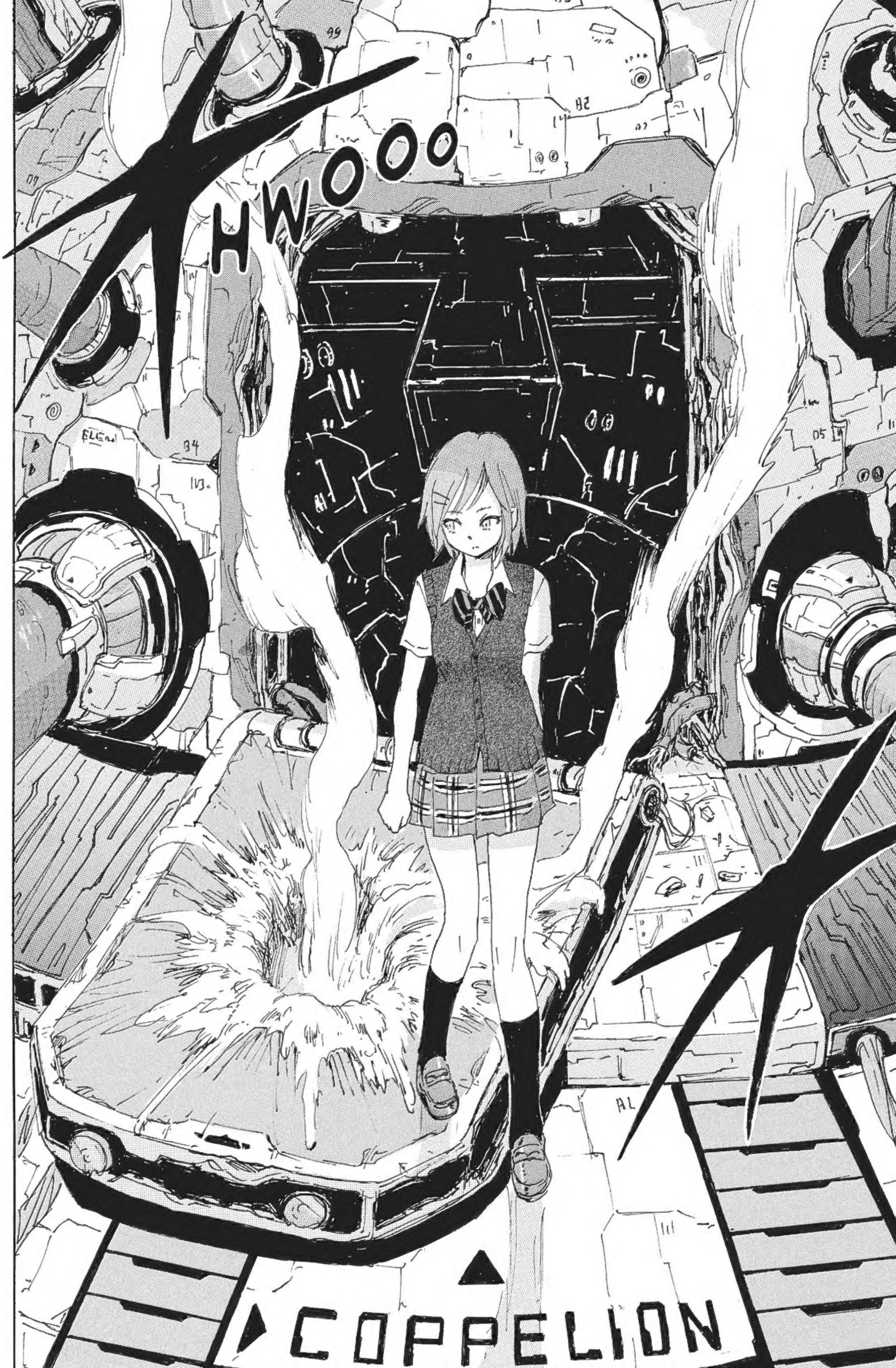
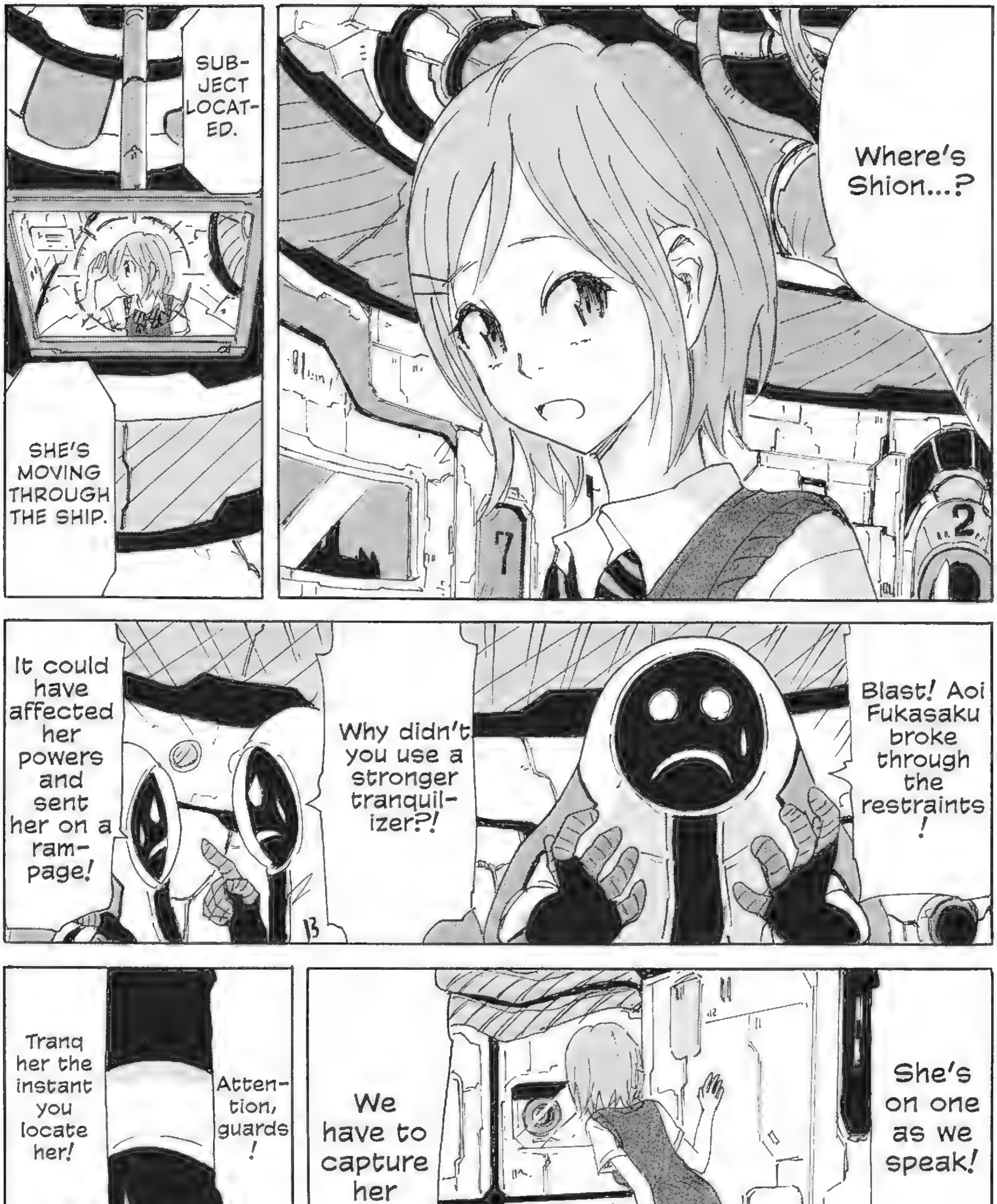
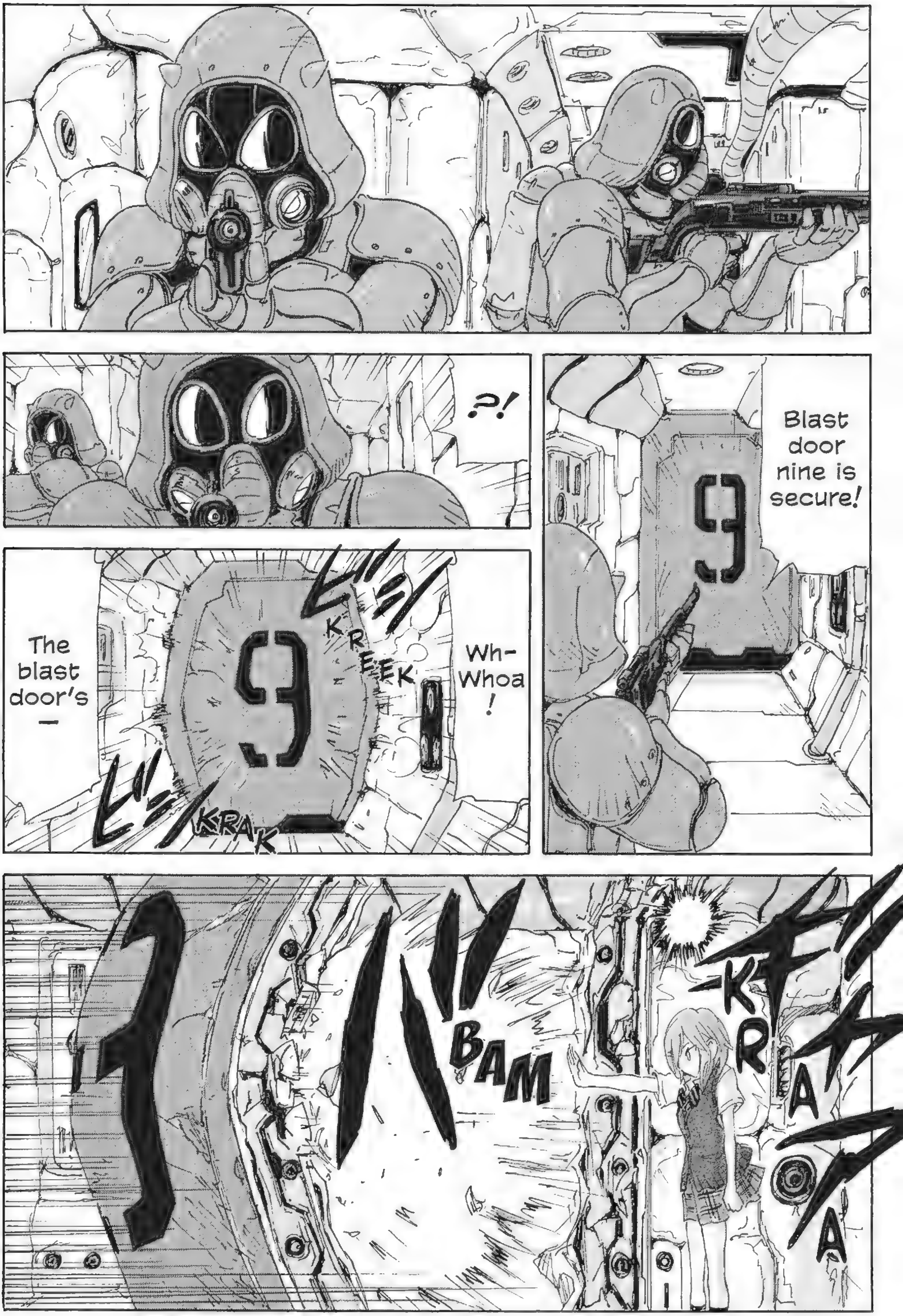
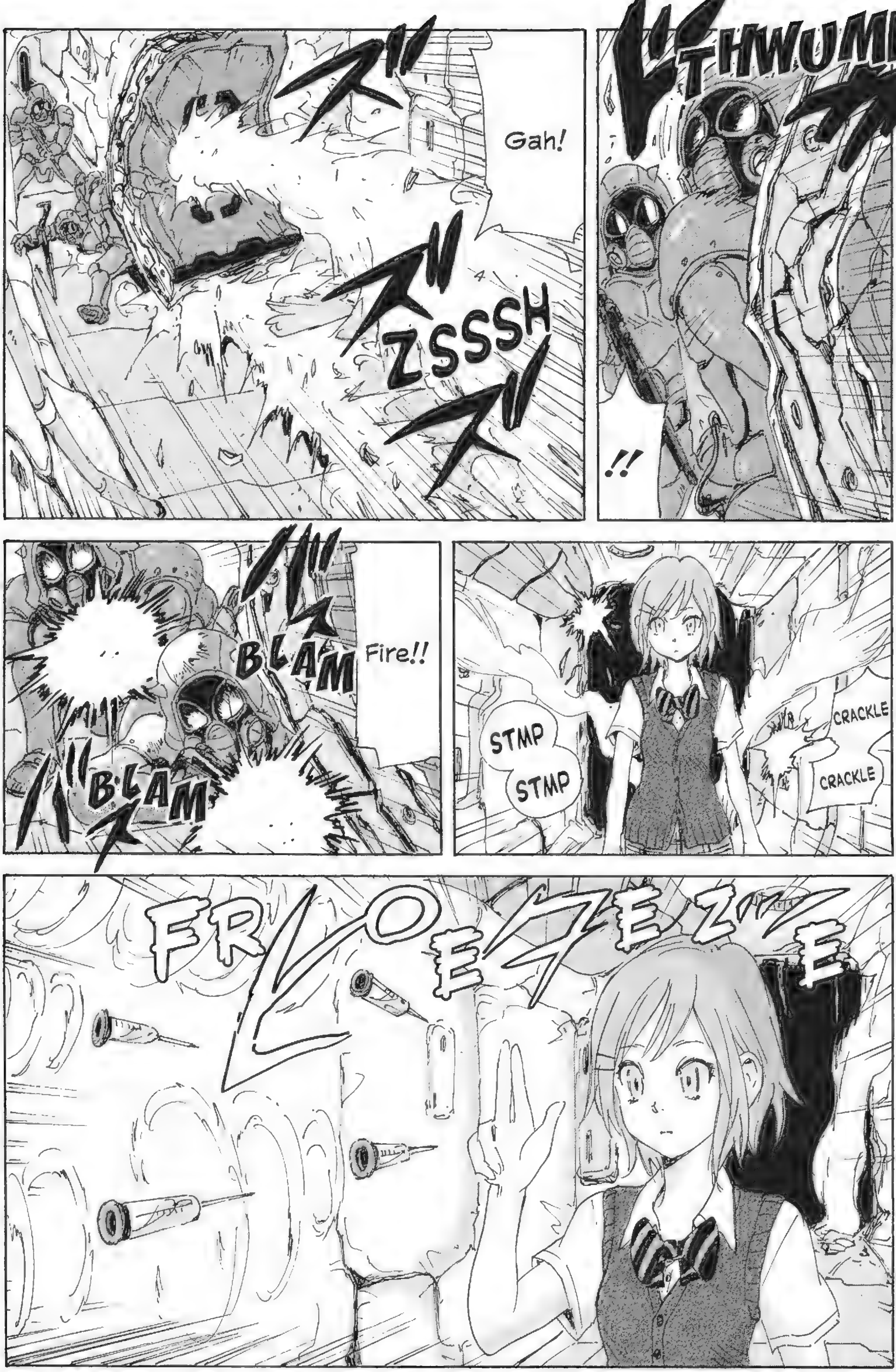
Phase.81 【Battle on the Airship】

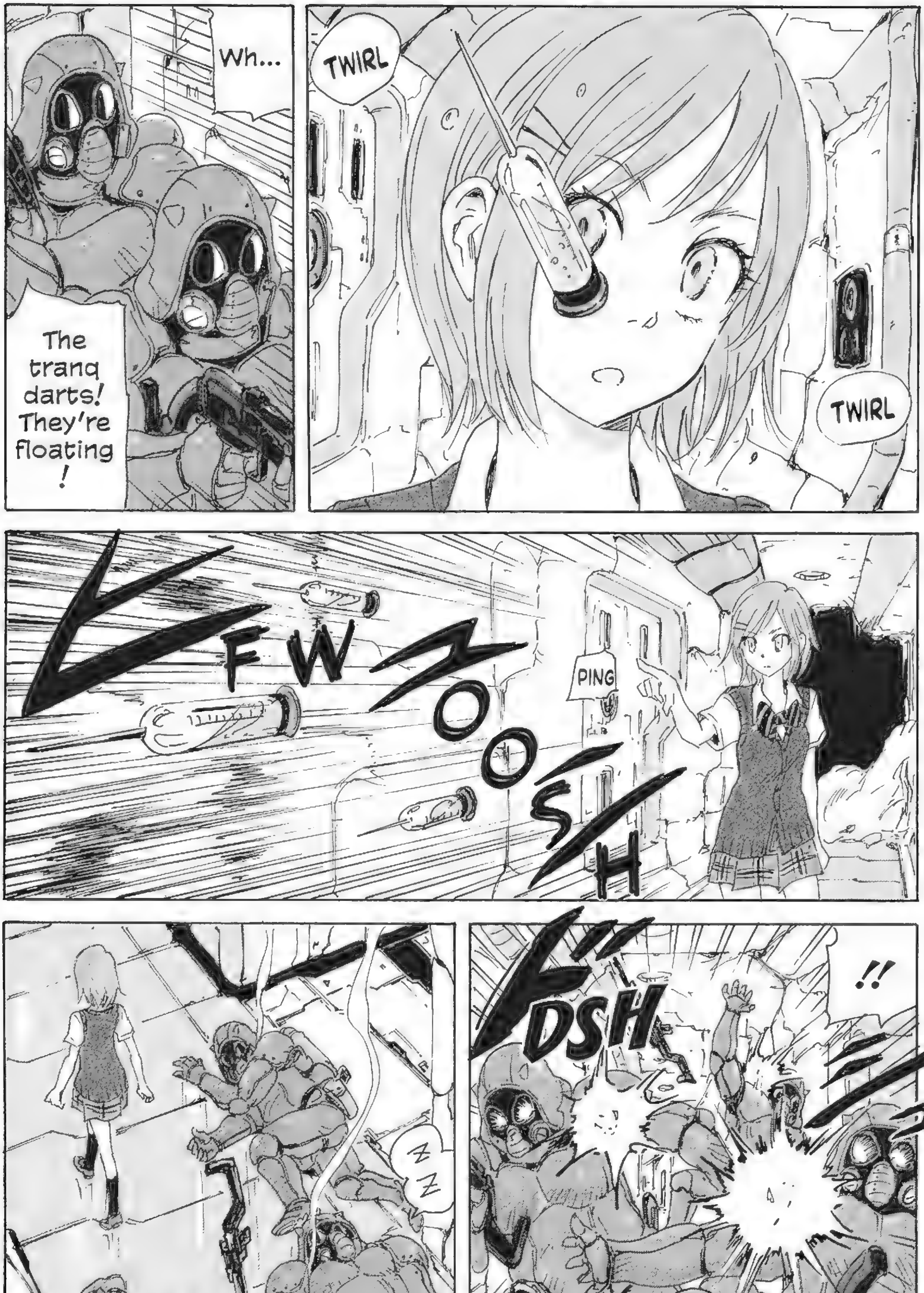

RR MM
RR MM
BREACH DETECTED IN THE SUPER-ELECTROMAGNETIC CONTAINMENT CHAMBER.
BZZ
BZZ
GUARDS, INVESTIGATE AT ONCE.
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
...
Huh ...?

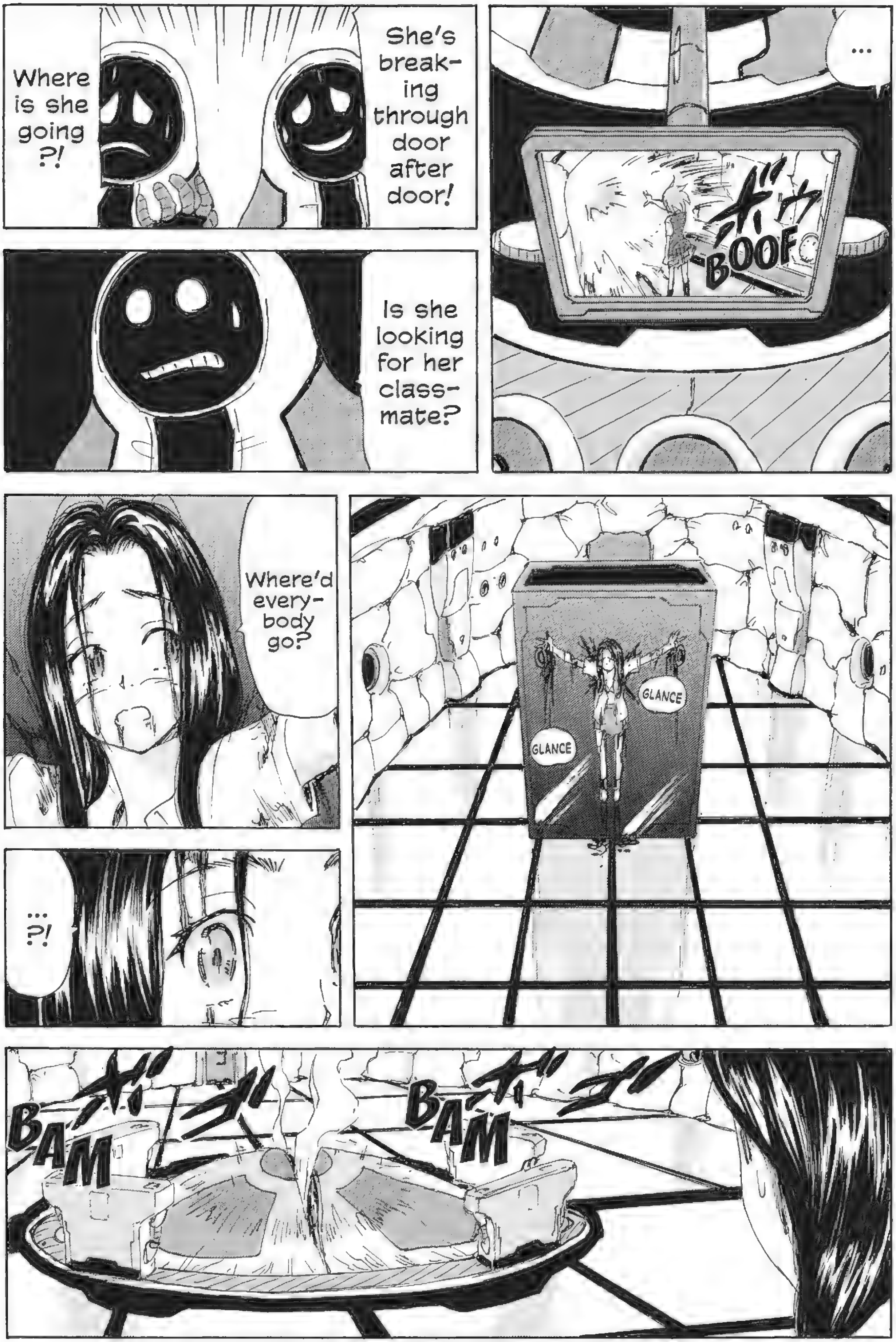

HWOOO
COPPELION

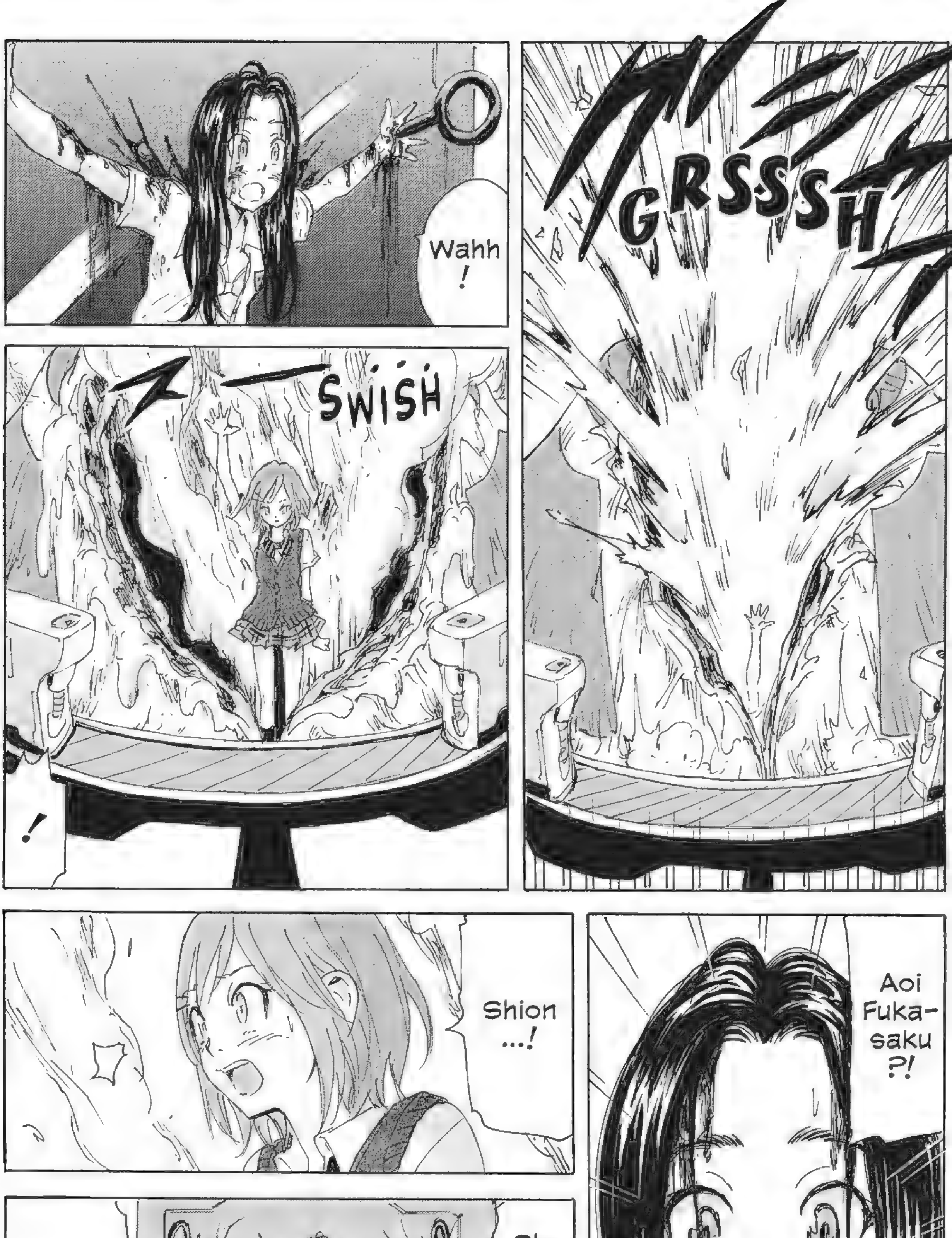

Where's Shion...?
SUBJECT LOCATED.
SHE'S MOVING THROUGH THE SHIP.
Blast! Aoi Fukasaku broke through the restraints!
Why didn't you use a stronger tranquilizer?!
It could have affected her powers and sent her on a rampage!
She's on one as we speak!
We have to capture her quickly!
Attention, guards!
Tranq her the instant you locate her!

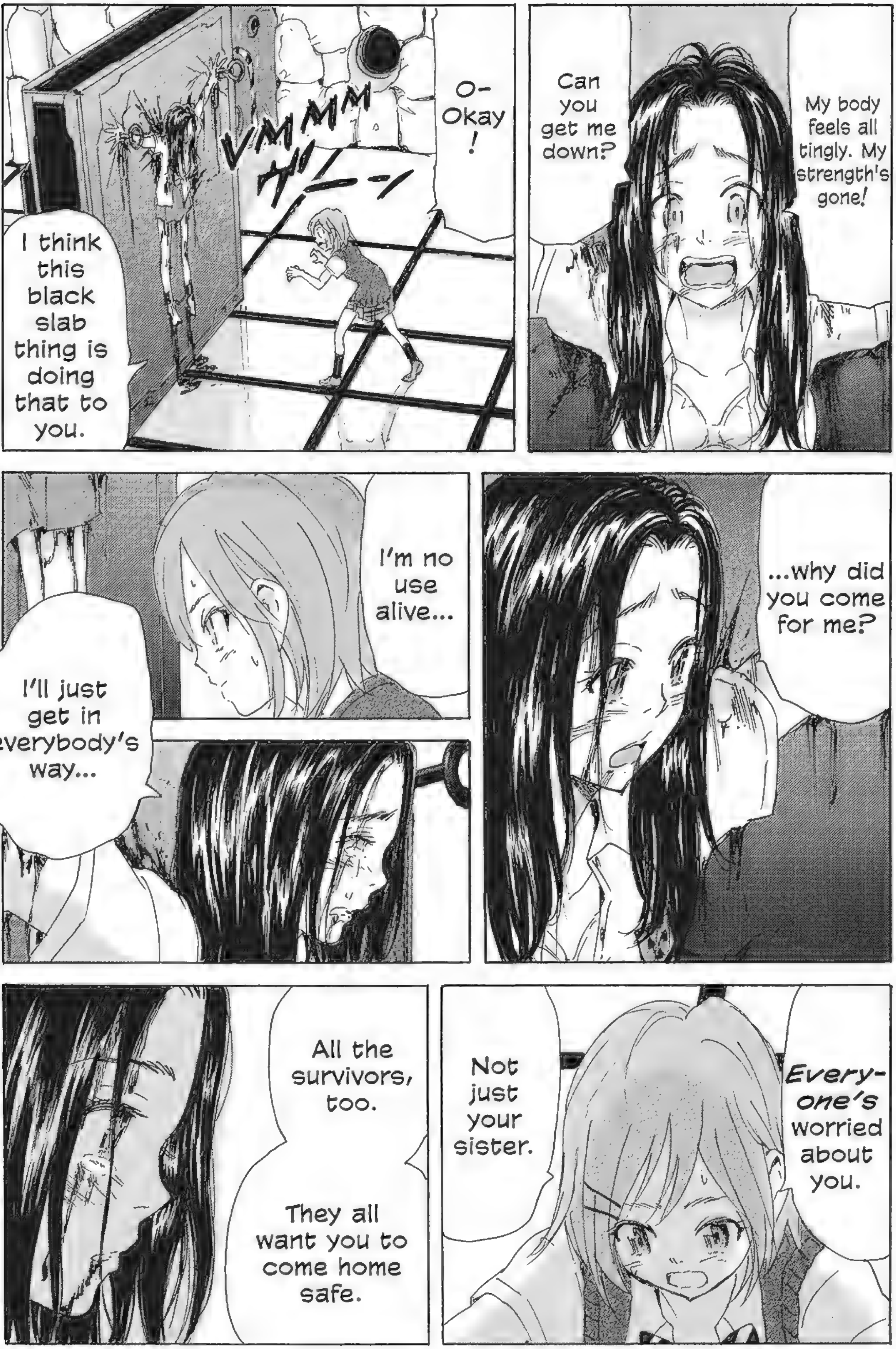

Blast door nine is secure!
?!
Wh-Whoa!
KREEK
The blast door's—
KRAK
BAM
KRAAA

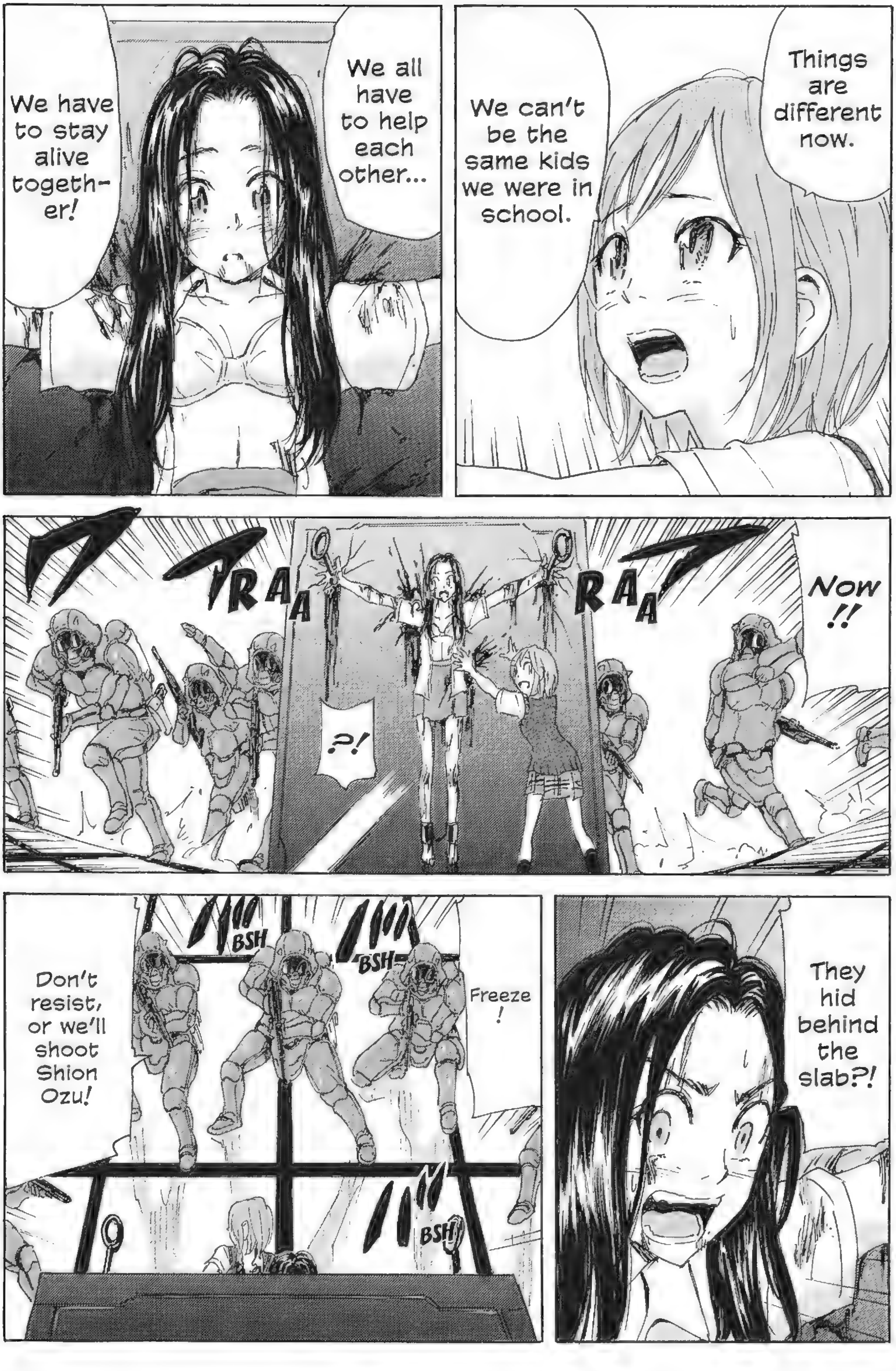

THWUMP
!!
Gah!
ZSSSH
STMP
STMP
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
Fire!!
BLAM
BLAM
FREEZE

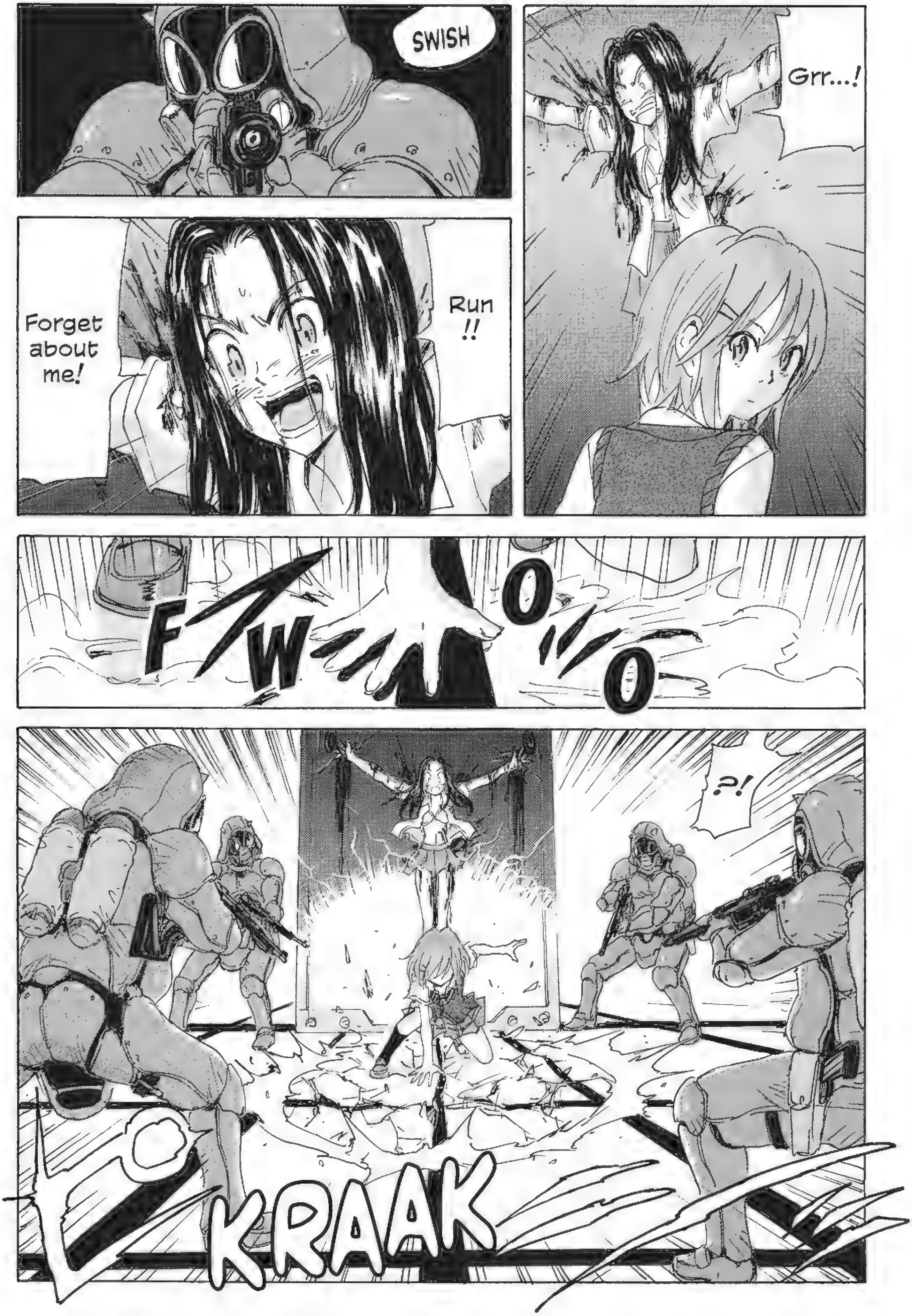

Wh...
The tranq darts! They're floating!
TWIRL
TWIRL
FWOOOSH
PING
Z Z
DSH
!!

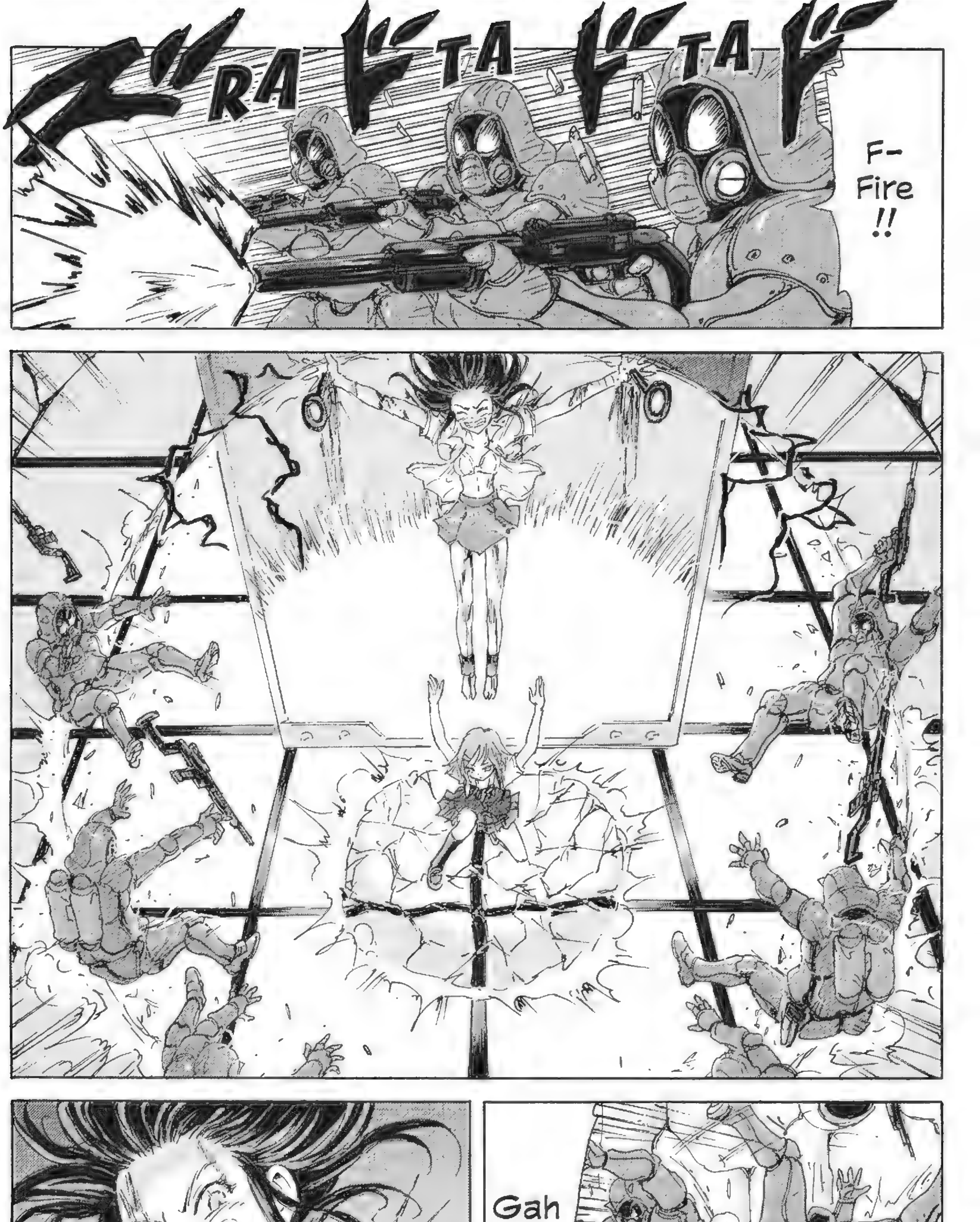

Where is she going ?!
She's breaking through door after door!
Is she looking for her classmate?
...
BOOF
Where'd everybody go?
...?!
GLANCE
GLANCE
BAM
BAM

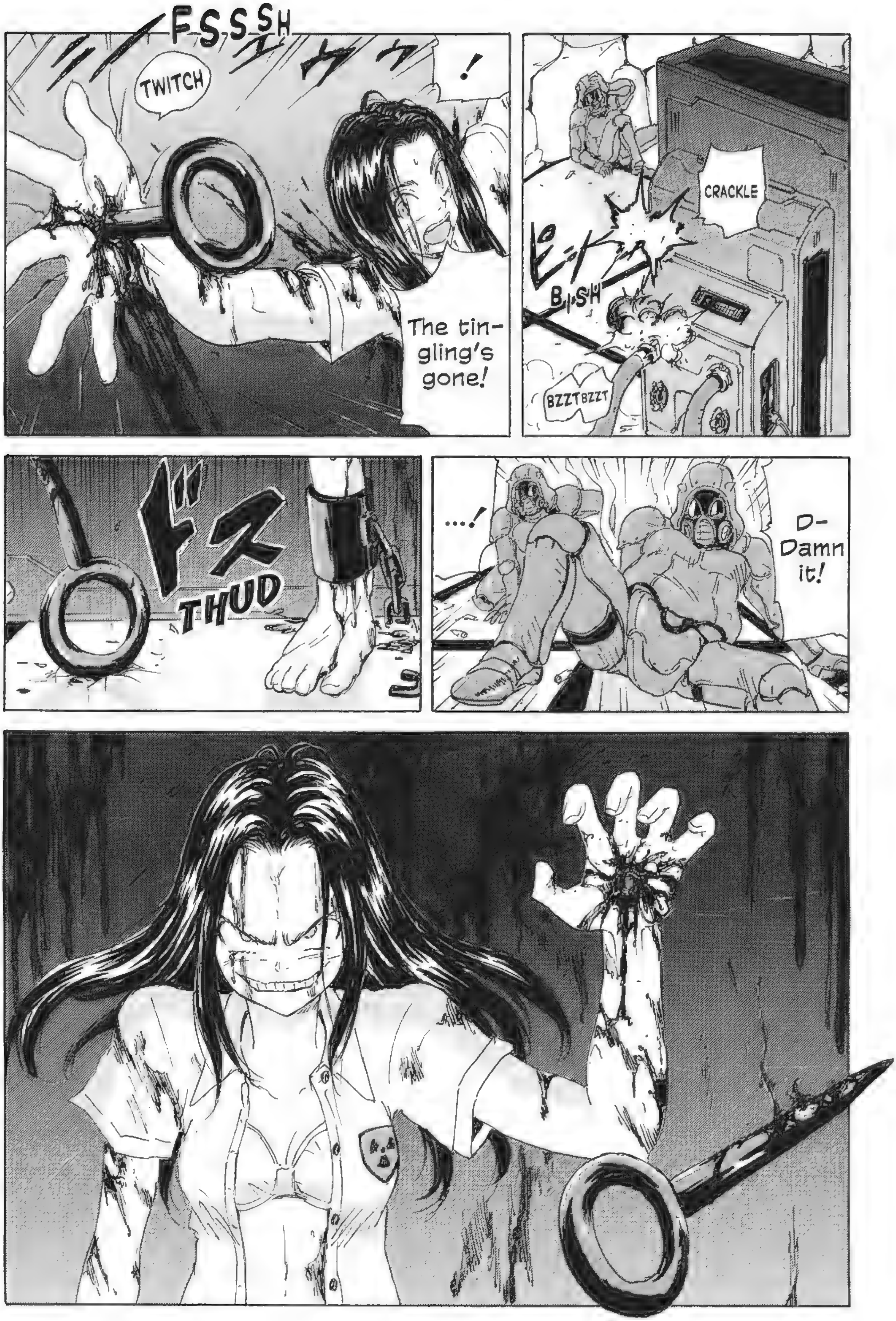

Wahh
!
SWISH
!
GRSSSH
Shion
...!
Aoi
Fuka-
saku
?!
Oh,
my
god
...
How
could
they do
this...!

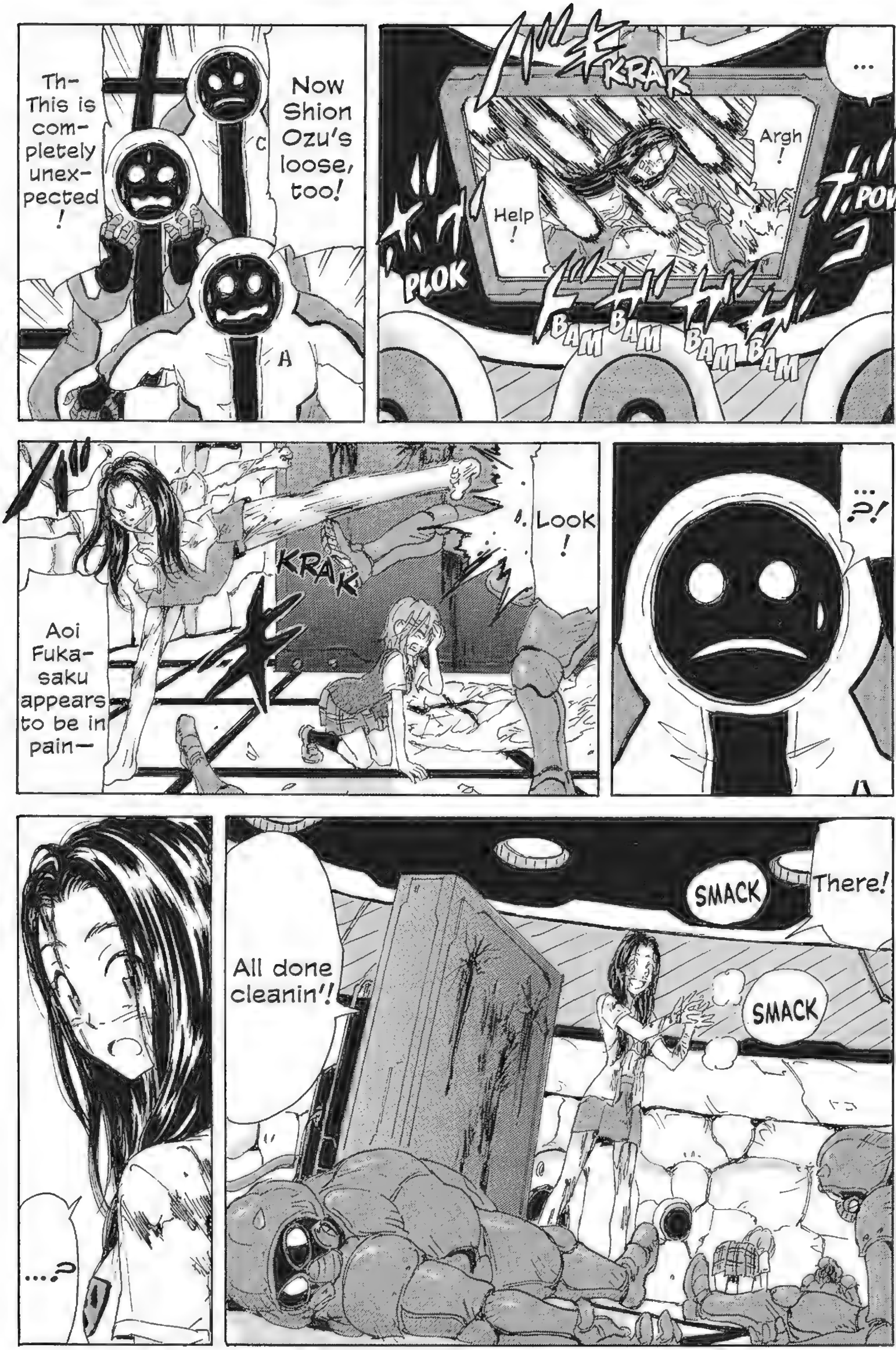

My body feels all tingly. My strength's gone!
Can you get me down?
O-Okay!
VMMM
I think this black slab thing is doing that to you.
...why did you come for me?
I'm no use alive...
I'll just get in everybody's way...
Everyone's worried about you.
Not just your sister.
All the survivors, too.
They all want you to come home safe.

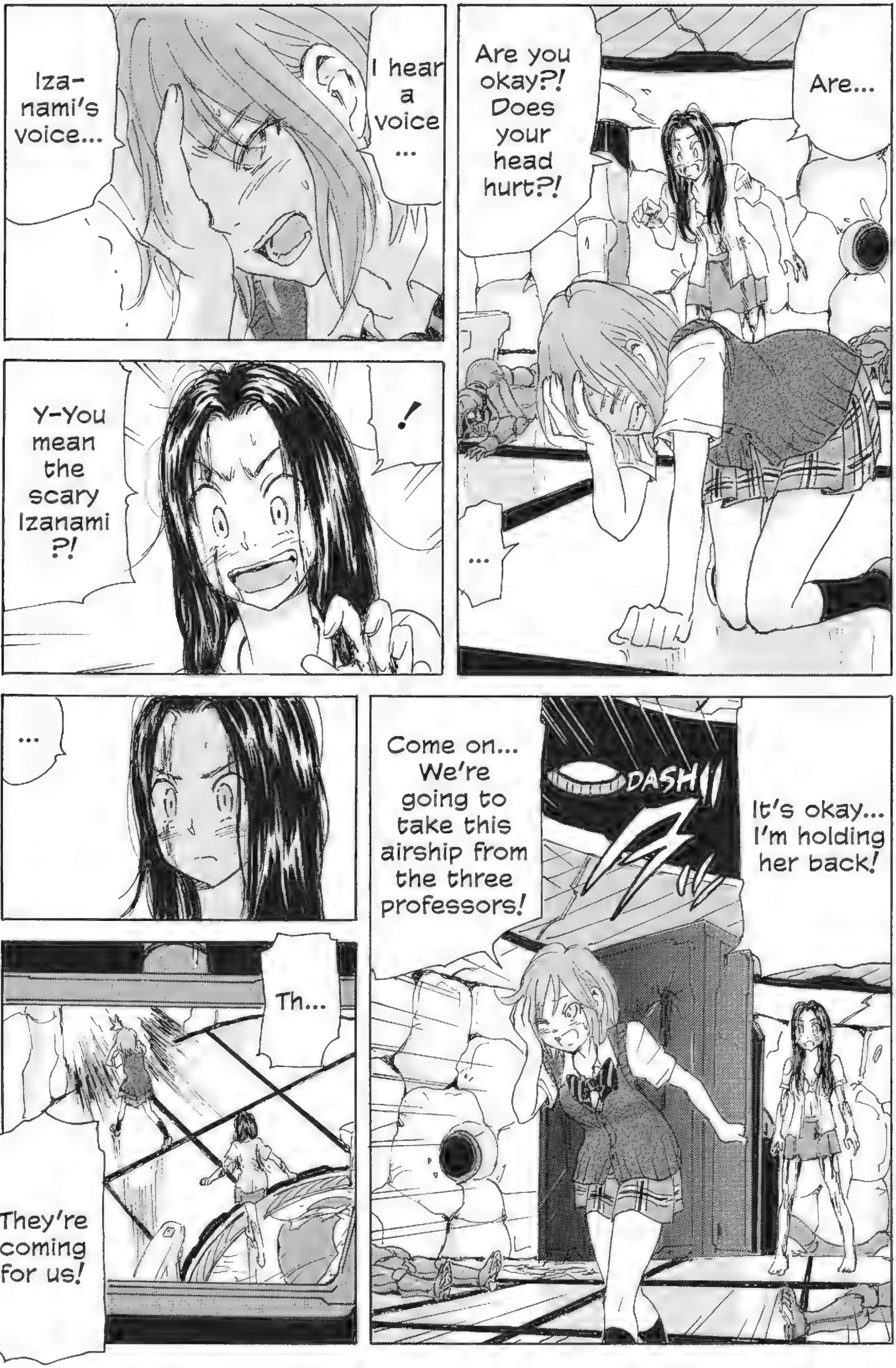

Things are different now.
We can't be the same kids we were in school.
We all have to help each other...
We have to stay alive together!
Now!!
RAAA
RAAA
?!
They hid behind the slab?!
Freeze!
BSH
BSH
BSH
Don't resist, or we'll shoot Shion Ozu!

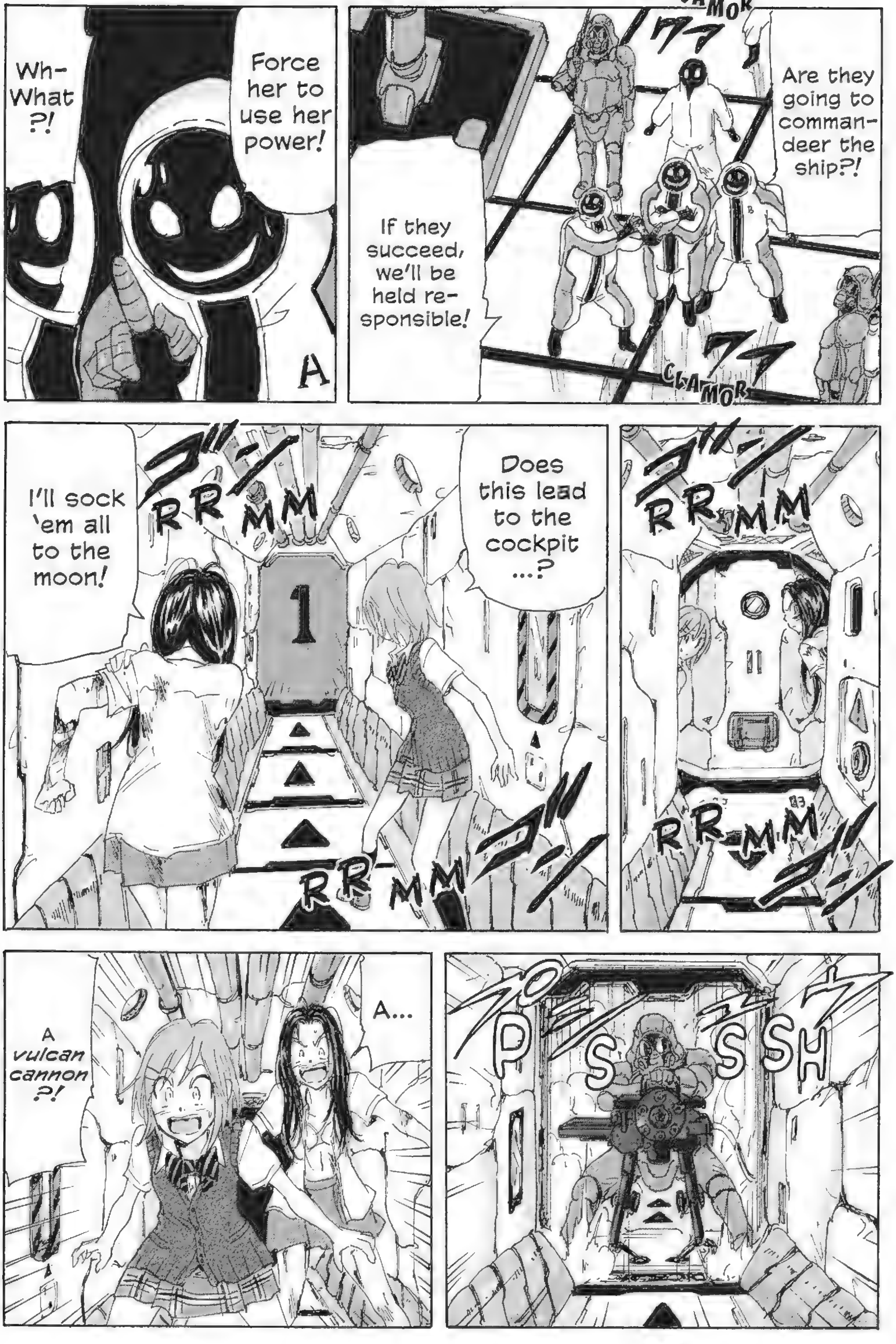

Grr...!
SWISH
Run!!
Forget about me!
FWOOO
?!
KRAAK

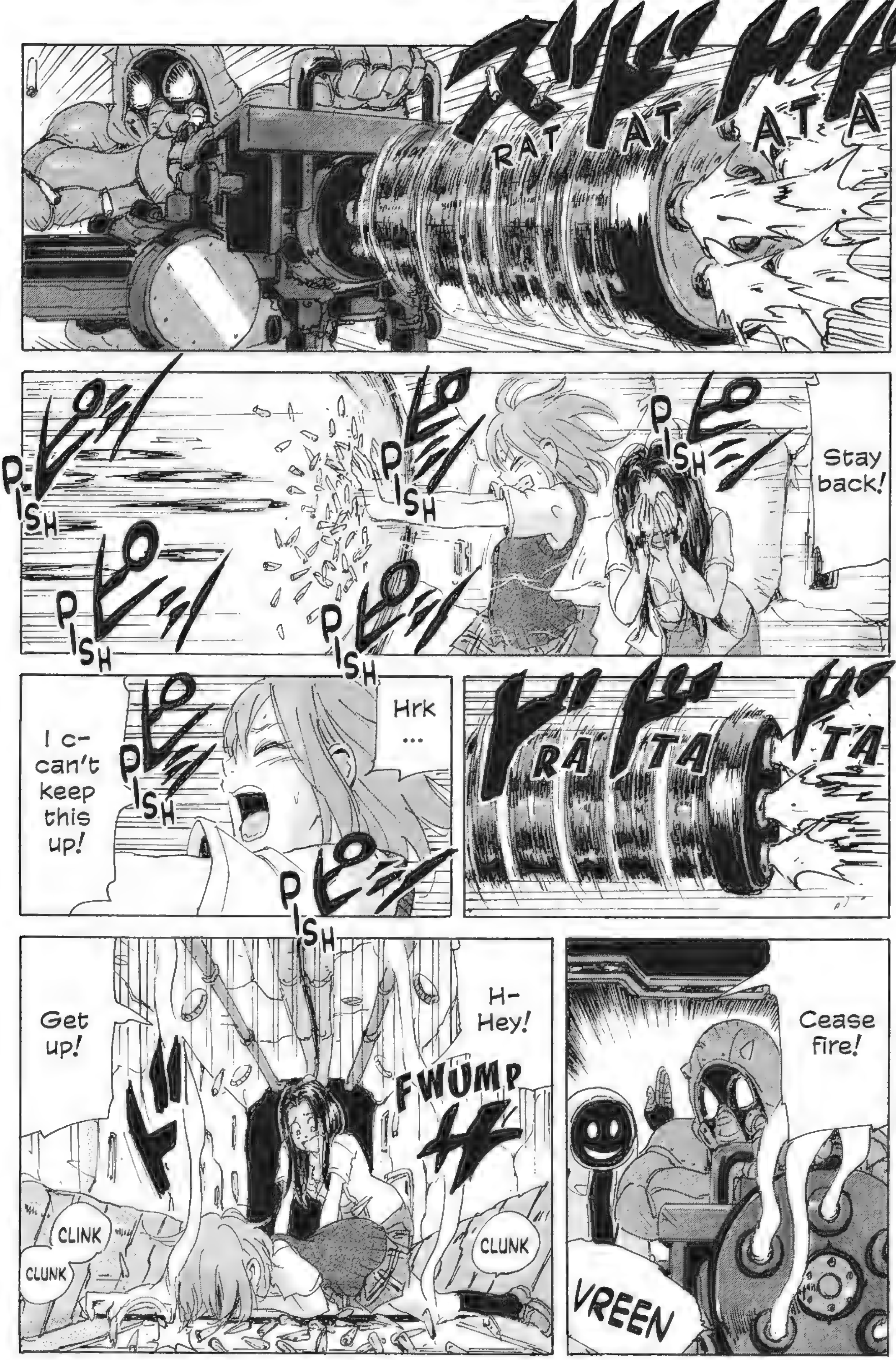

F-
Fire
!!
ズRAドTAドTAド
Gah
!!
THUD
ズザザ
...

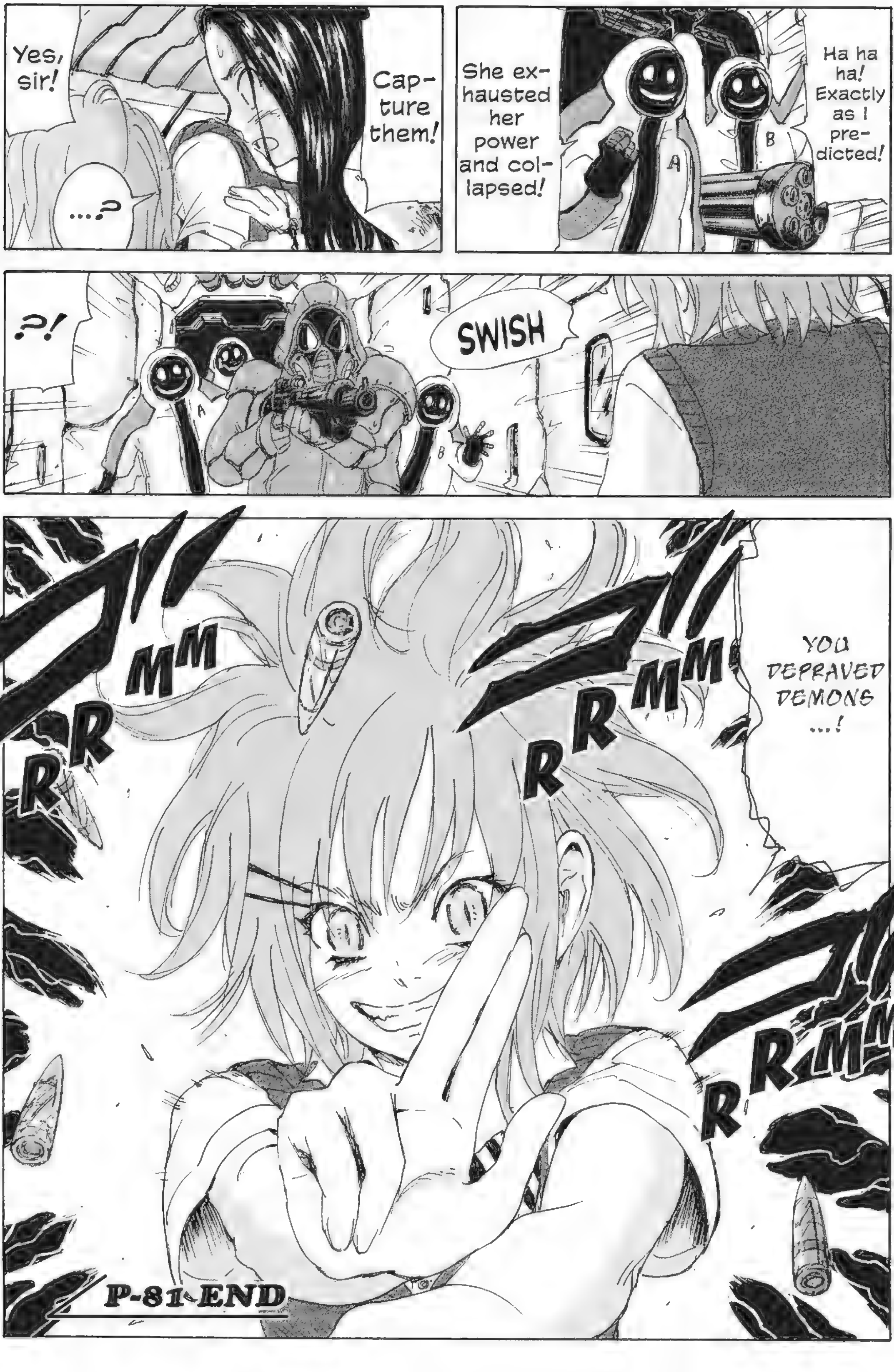

FSSSH
シュウウ
TWITCH
!
The tingling's gone!
CRACKLE
ピッ
BISH
BZZTBZZT
ドス
THUD
...!
D-Damn it!

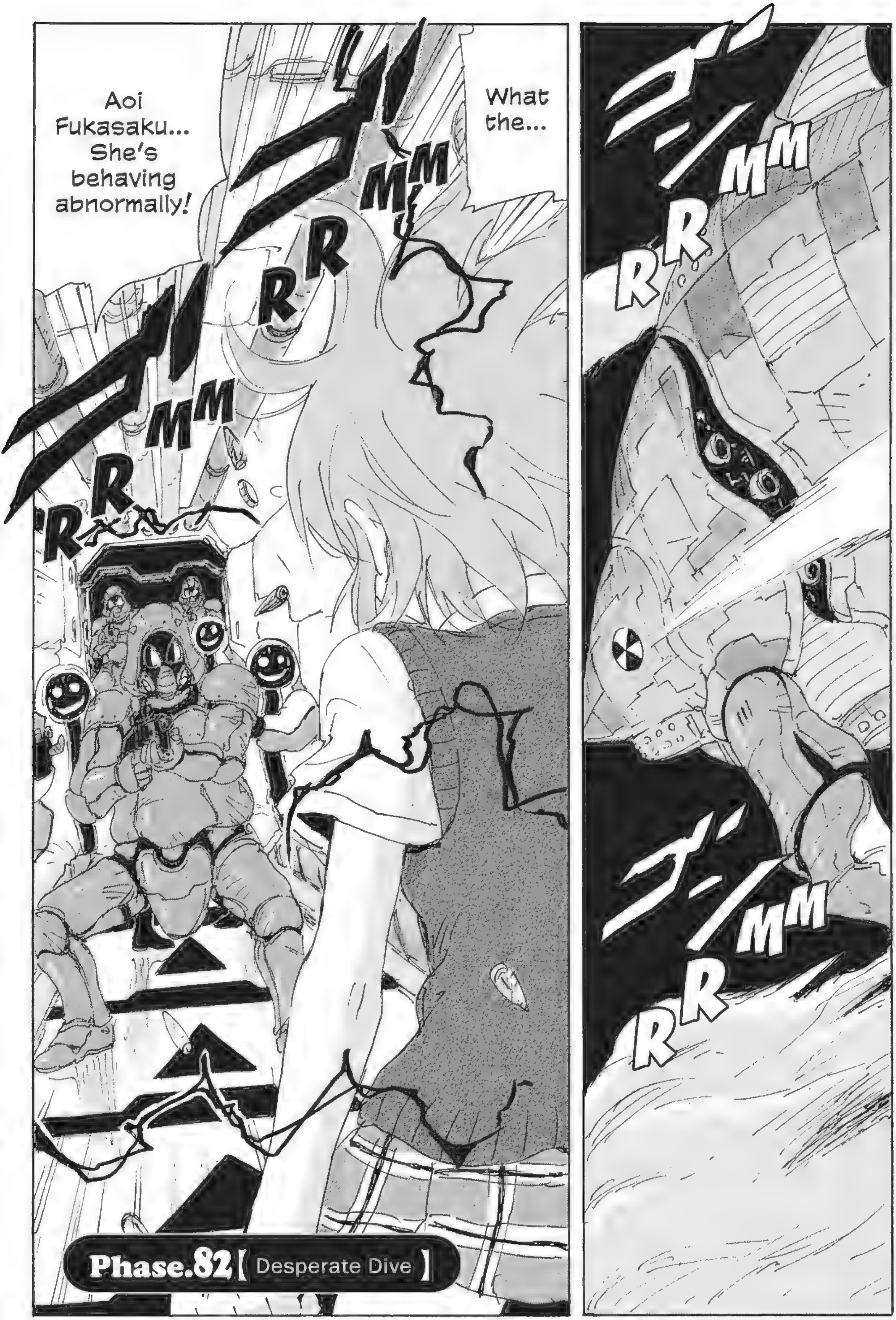

...
KRAK
Argh!
Help!
POW
PLOK
BAM BAM BAM BAM
Now Shion Ozu's loose, too!
Th- This is completely unexpected!
...?!
Look!
KRAK
Aoi Fukasaku appears to be in pain—
There!
SMACK
SMACK
All done cleanin'!
...?


Are...
Are you okay?! Does your head hurt?!
...
I hear a voice...
Iza-nami's voice...
!
Y-You mean the scary Izanami?!
It's okay... I'm holding her back!
DASH
Come on... We're going to take this airship from the three professors!
...
Th...
They're coming for us!

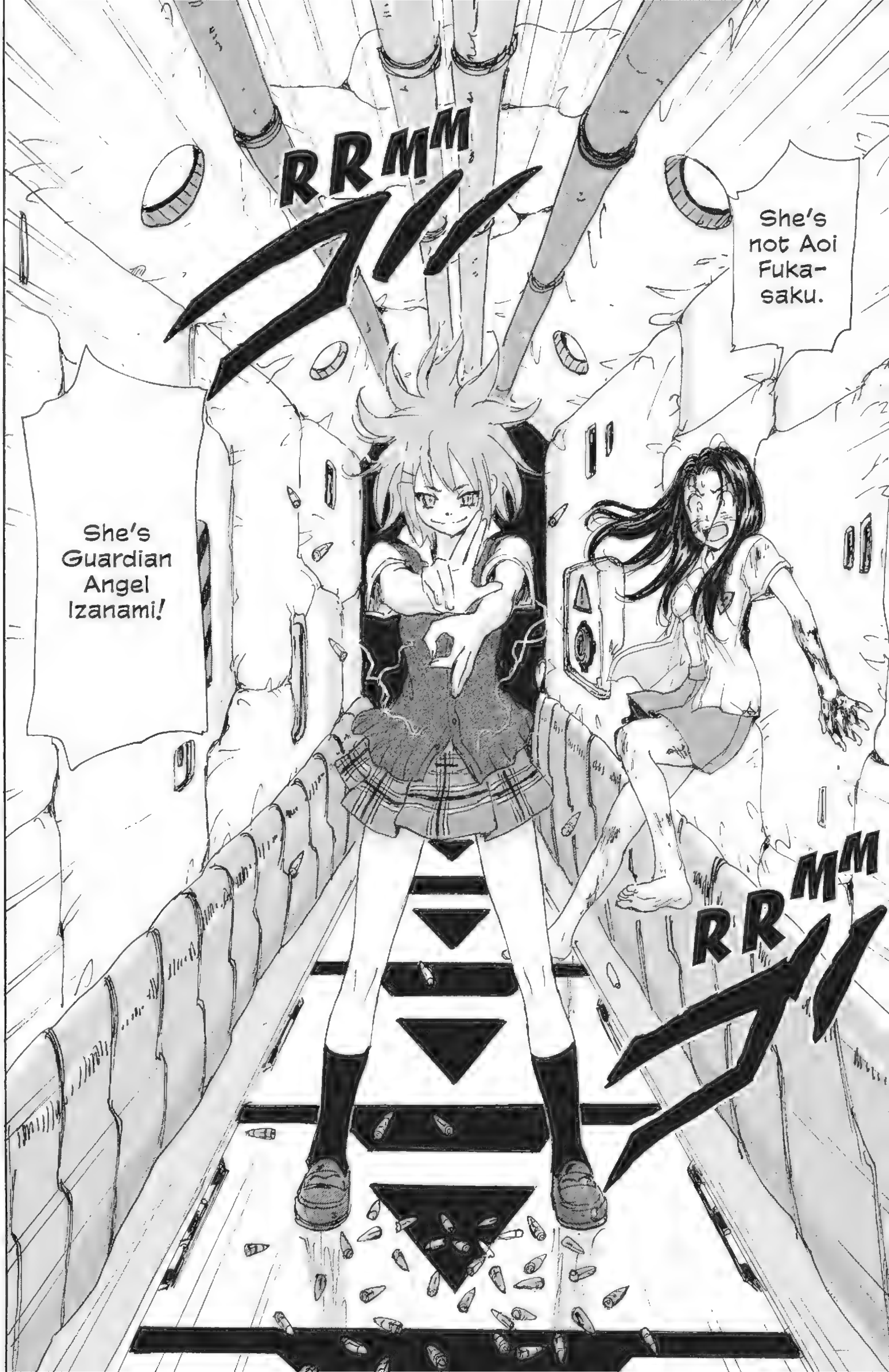

CLAMOR
Are they going to commandeer the ship?!
If they succeed, we'll be held responsible!
CLAMOR
Force her to use her power!
Wh- What?!
A
RRMM
RRMM
Does this lead to the cockpit...?
1
RRMM
I'll sock 'em all to the moon!
RRMM
PSSSH
A...
A vulcan cannon?!

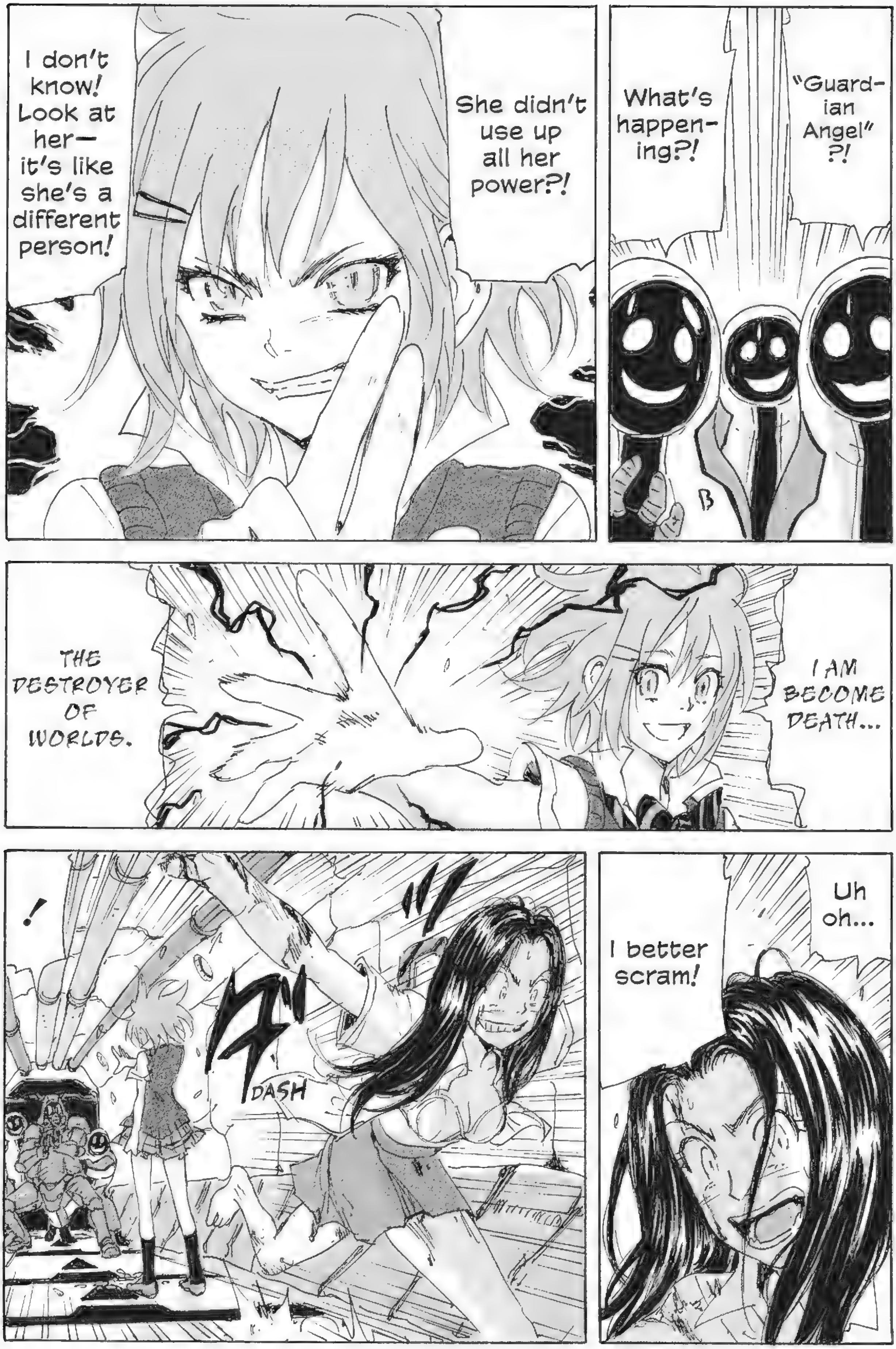

RAT AT ATA
Stay back!
PISH
PISH
PISH
PISH
PISH
RATATA
Hrk ...
I c-can't keep this up!
PISH
PISH
Cease fire!
VREEN
H-Hey!
FWUMP
Get up!
CLUNK
CLINK
CLUNK

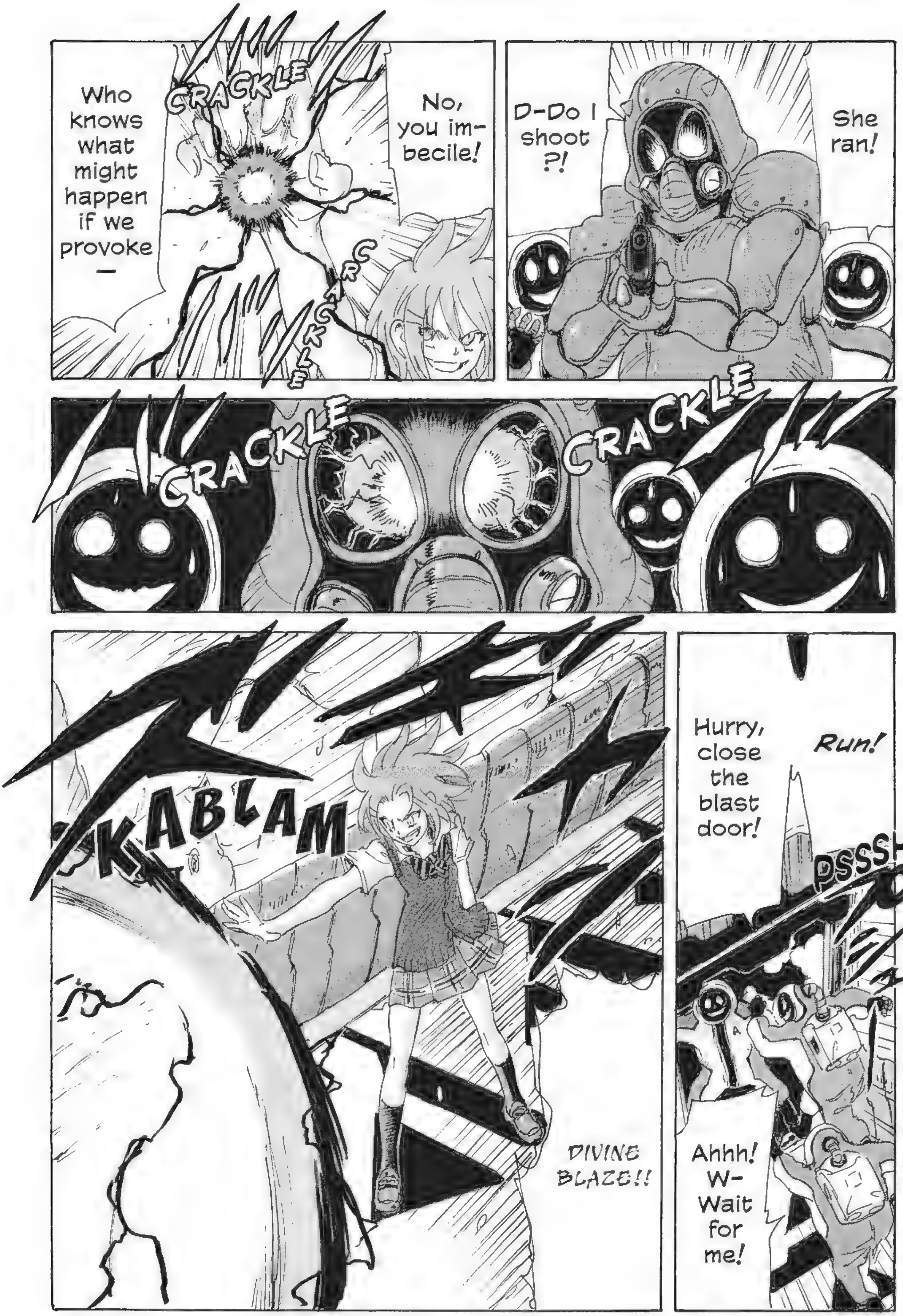

Ha ha ha! Exactly as I predicted!
She exhausted her power and collapsed!
A
B
Capture them!
Yes, sir!
...?
SWISH
?!
A
B
RRMMM
RRMMM
RRMMM
YOU DEPRAVED DEMONS ...!
P-81-END

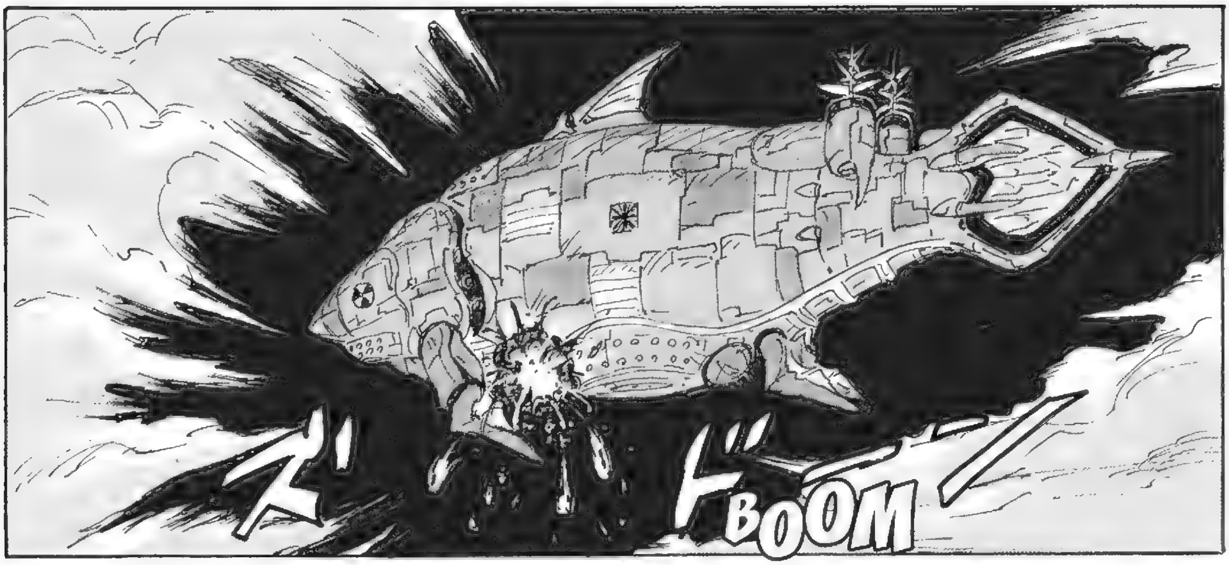

RRMMM
RRMMM
What the...
Aoi Fukasaku... She's behaving abnormally!
RRRMMM
RRRMMM

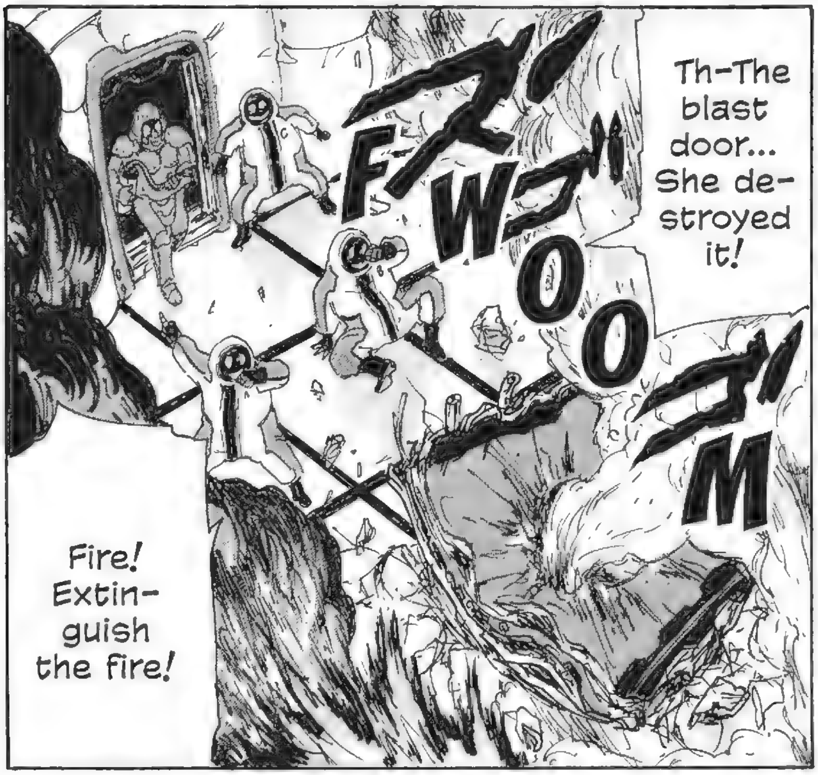
Phase.82 [Desperate Dive]

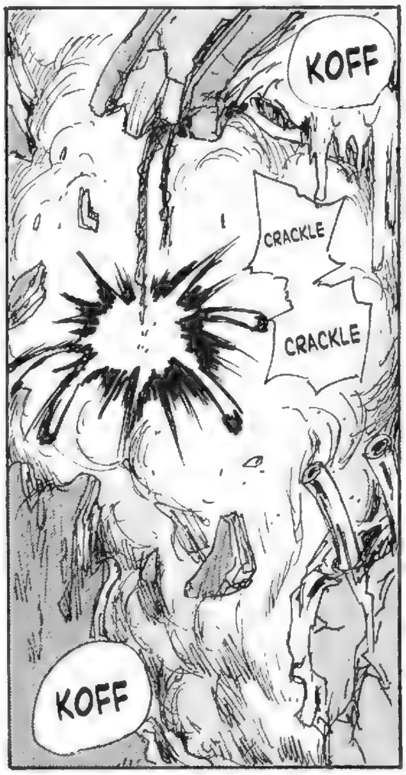

RRMMM
She's not Aoi Fukasaku.
She's Guardian Angel Izanami!
RRMMM

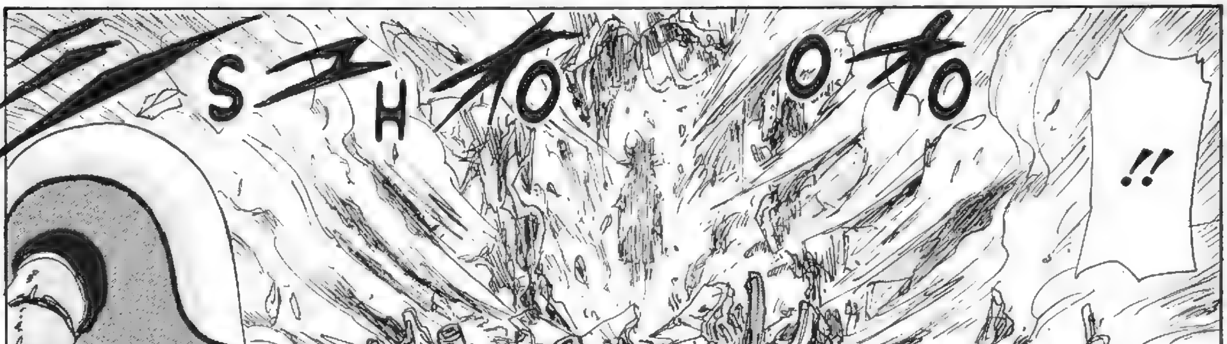

"Guardian Angel"?!
What's happening?!
She didn't use up all her power?!
I don't know! Look at her—it's like she's a different person!
I AM BECOME DEATH...
THE DESTROYER OF WORLDS.
Uh oh...
I better scram!
!!
!
DASH

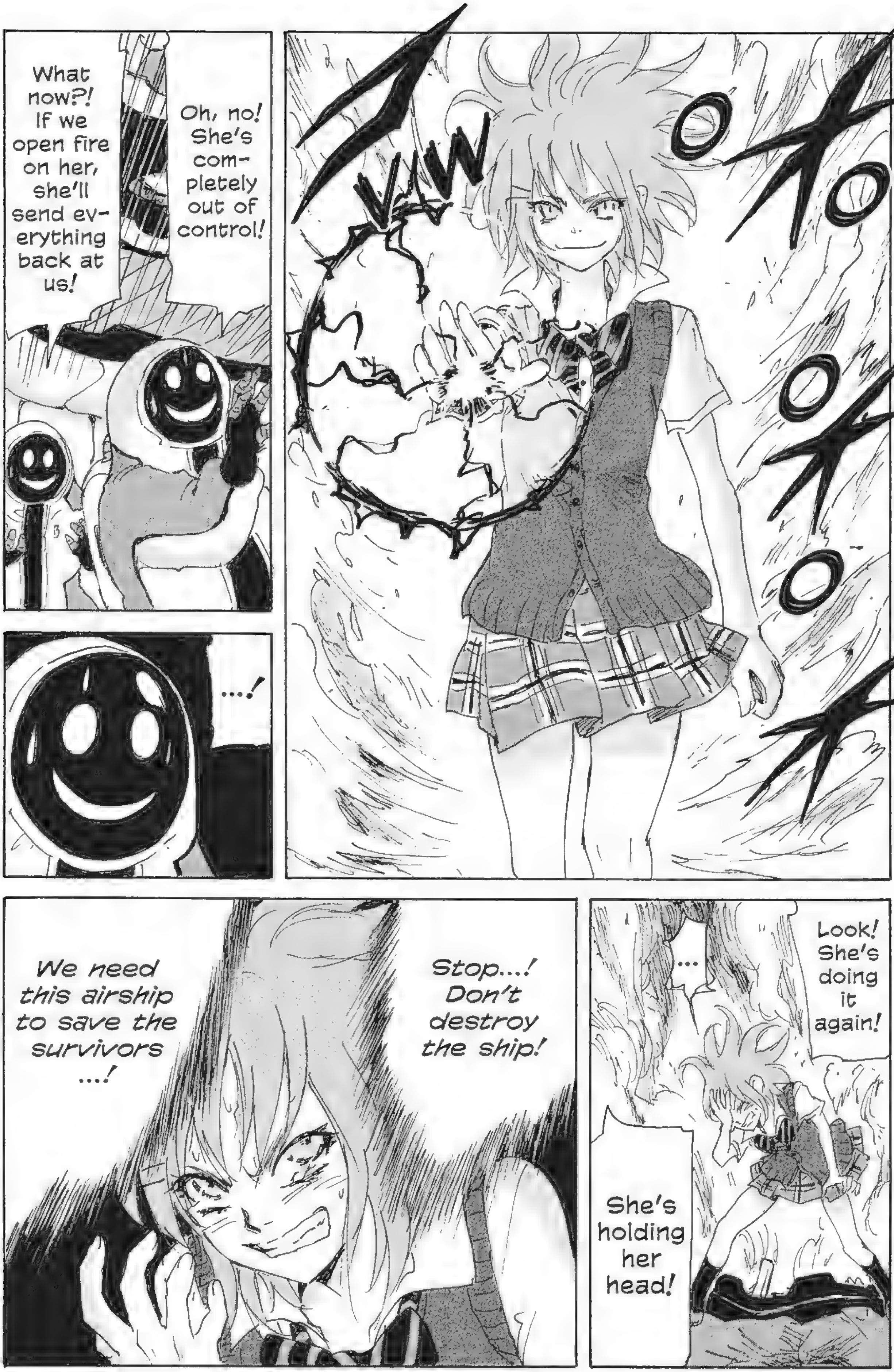

She ran!
D-Do I shoot?!
No, you imbecile!
Who knows what might happen if we provoke—
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
Run!
Hurry, close the blast door!
PSSSH
Ahhh! W-Wait for me!
KABLAM
DIVINE BLAZE!!

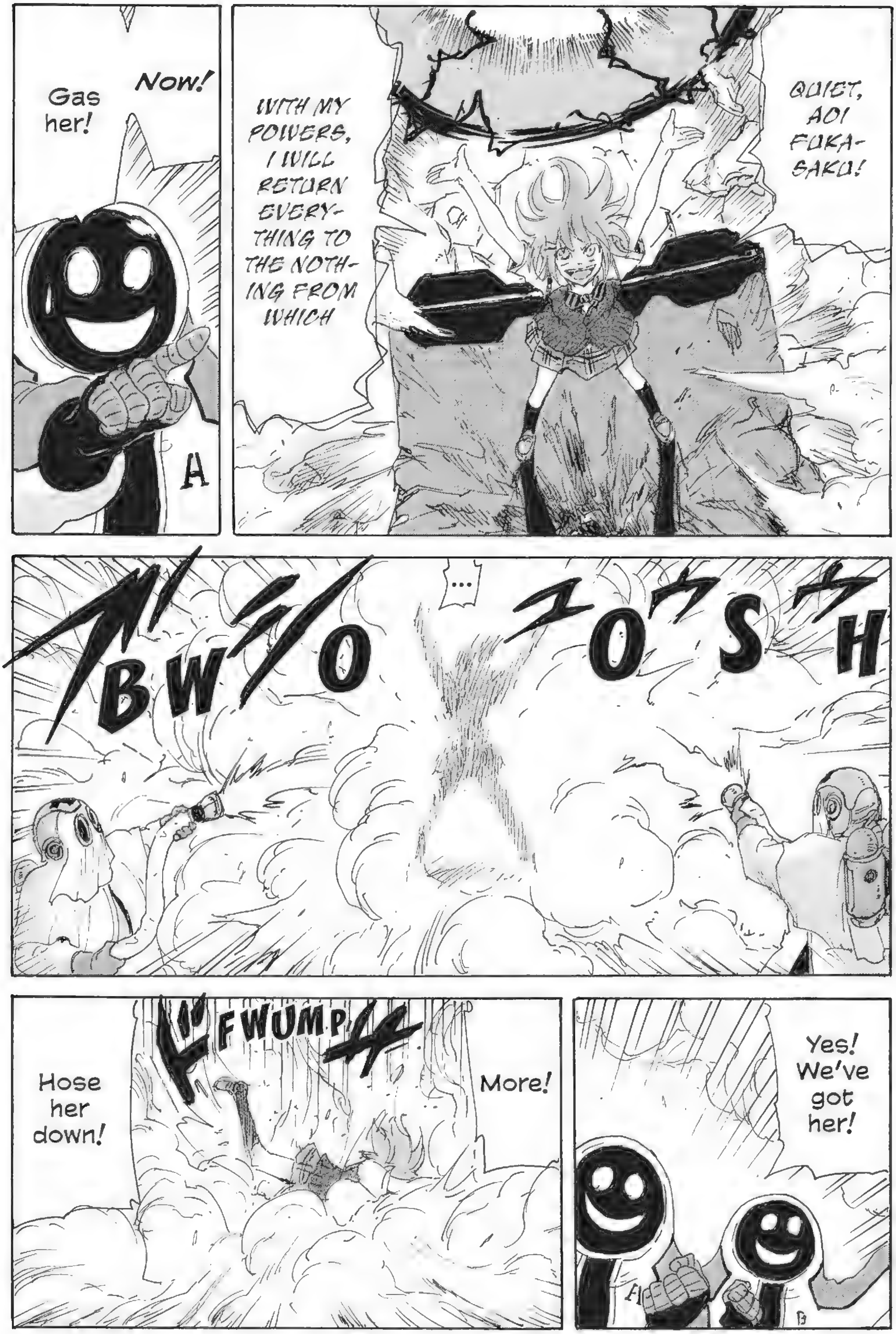

BOOM

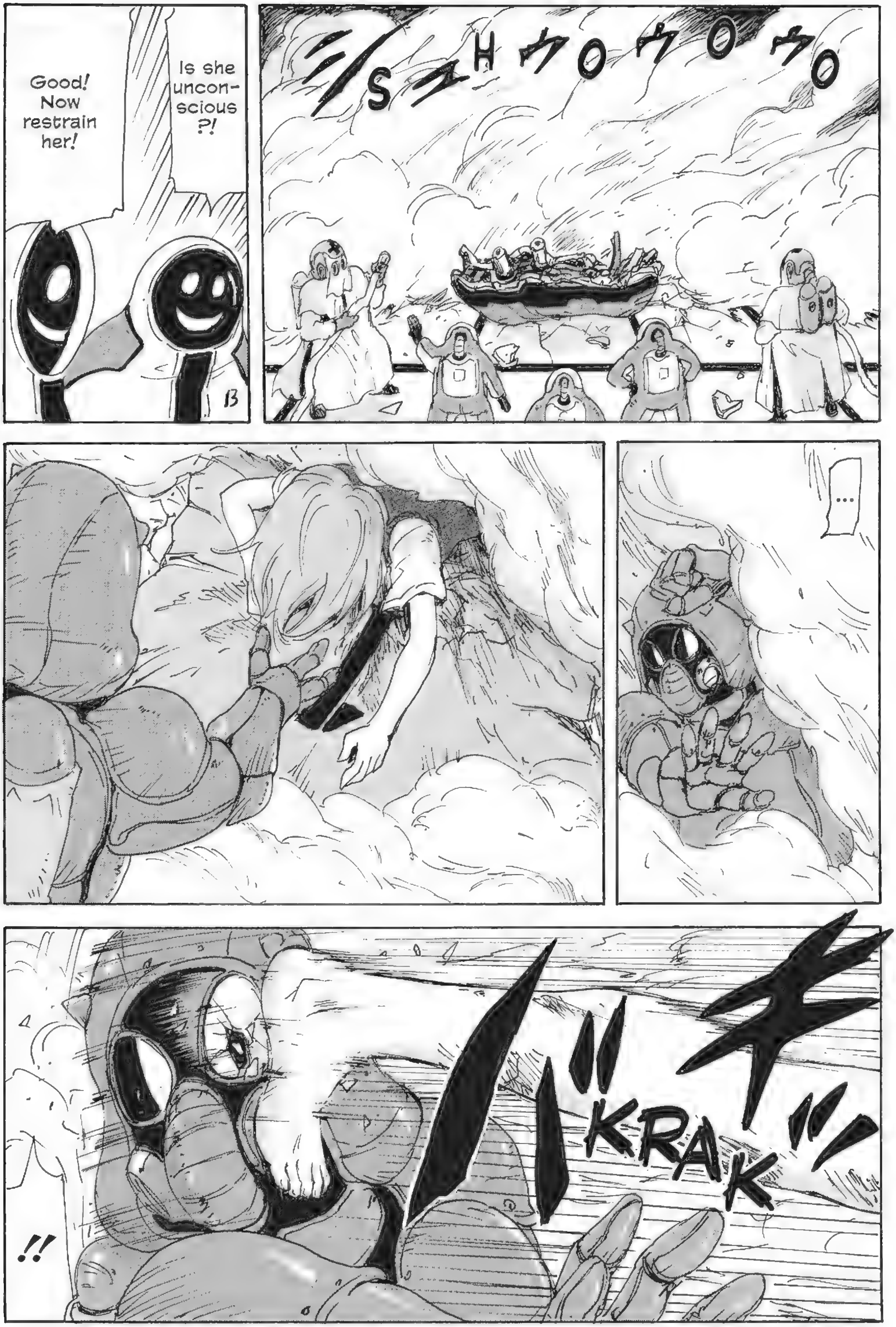

Th-The blast door... She destroyed it!
FWOOOM
Fire! Extinguish the fire!

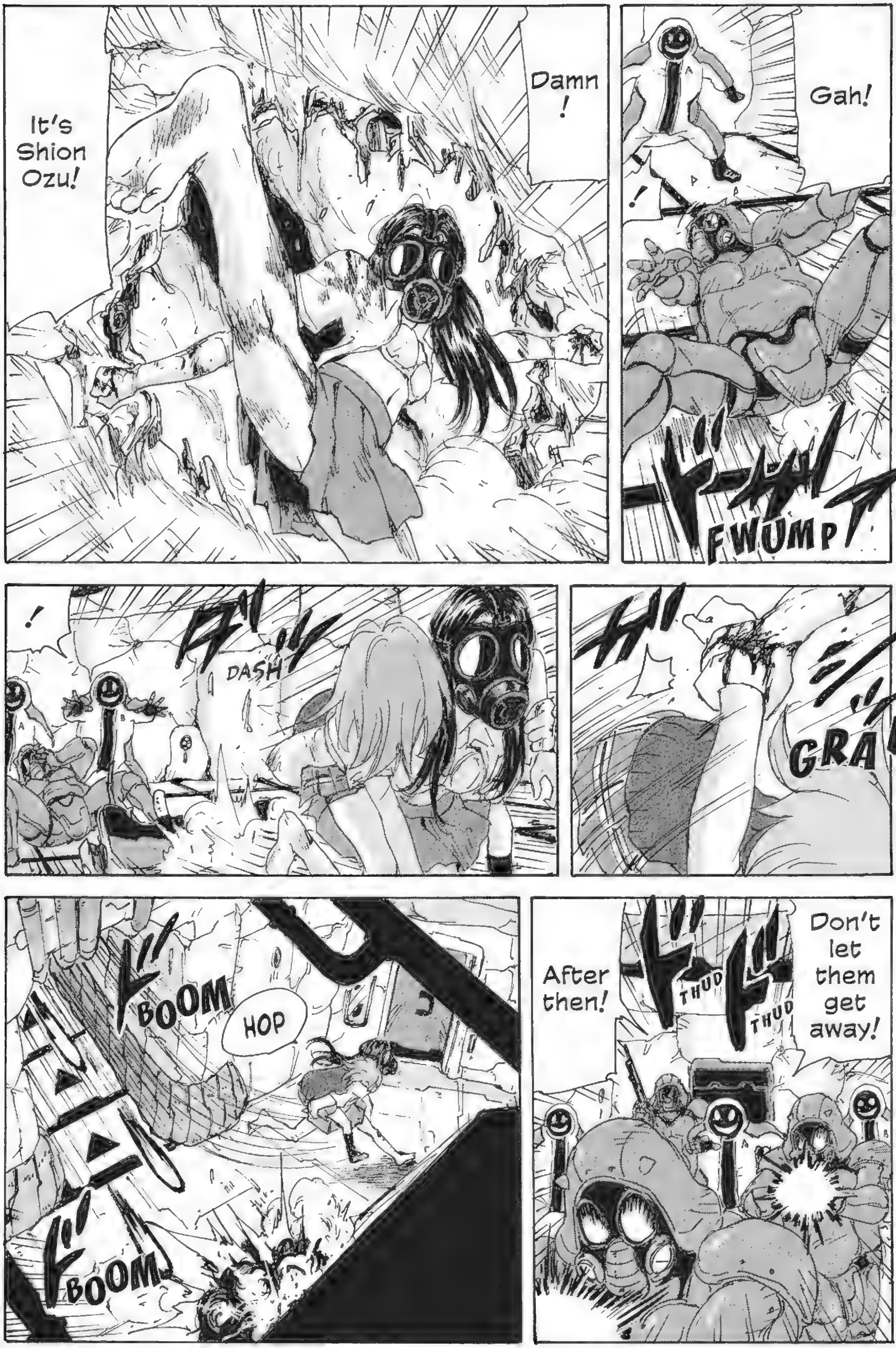

KOFF
CRACKLE
CRACKLE
KOFF

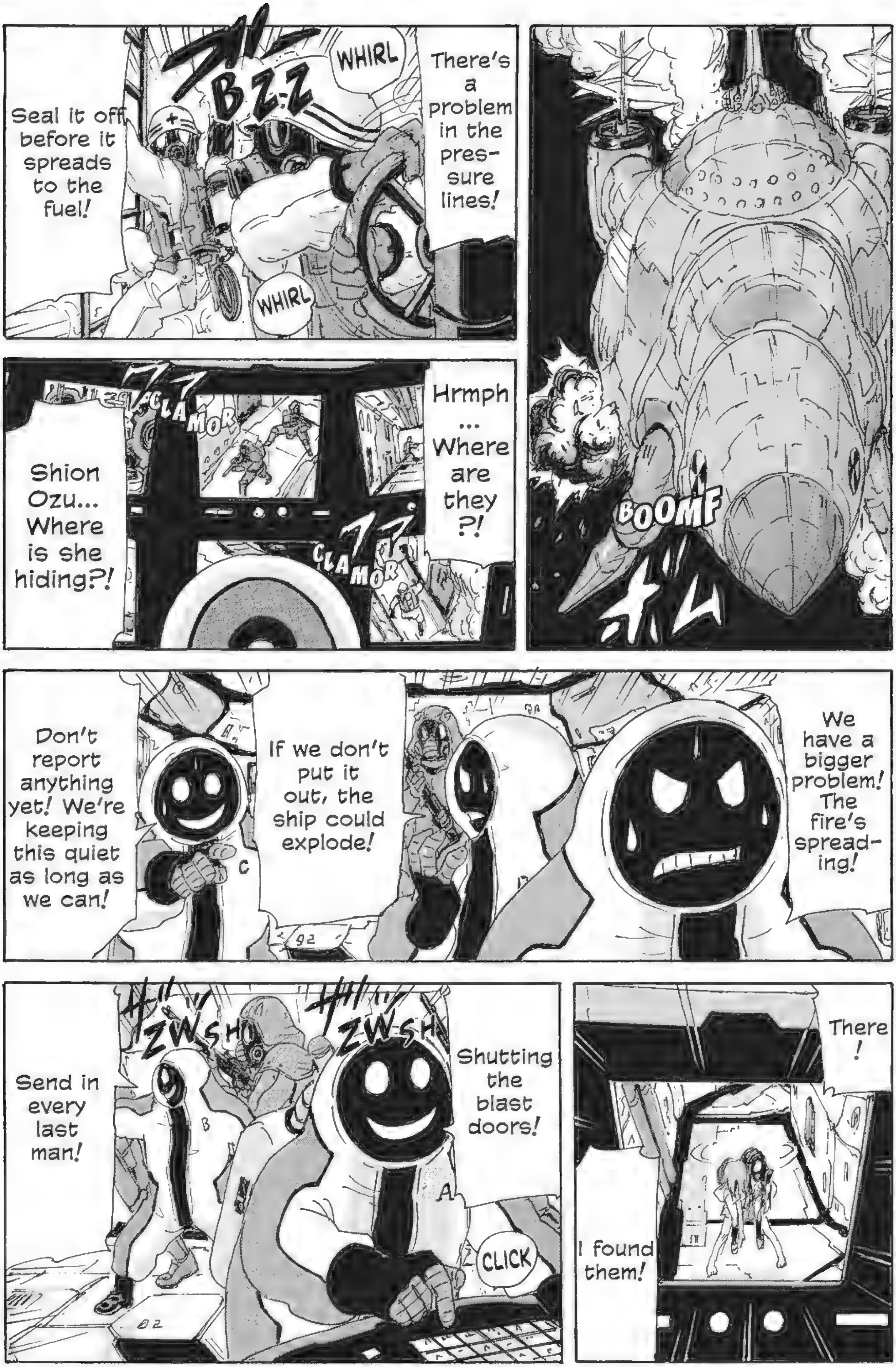

SHOOO
!!

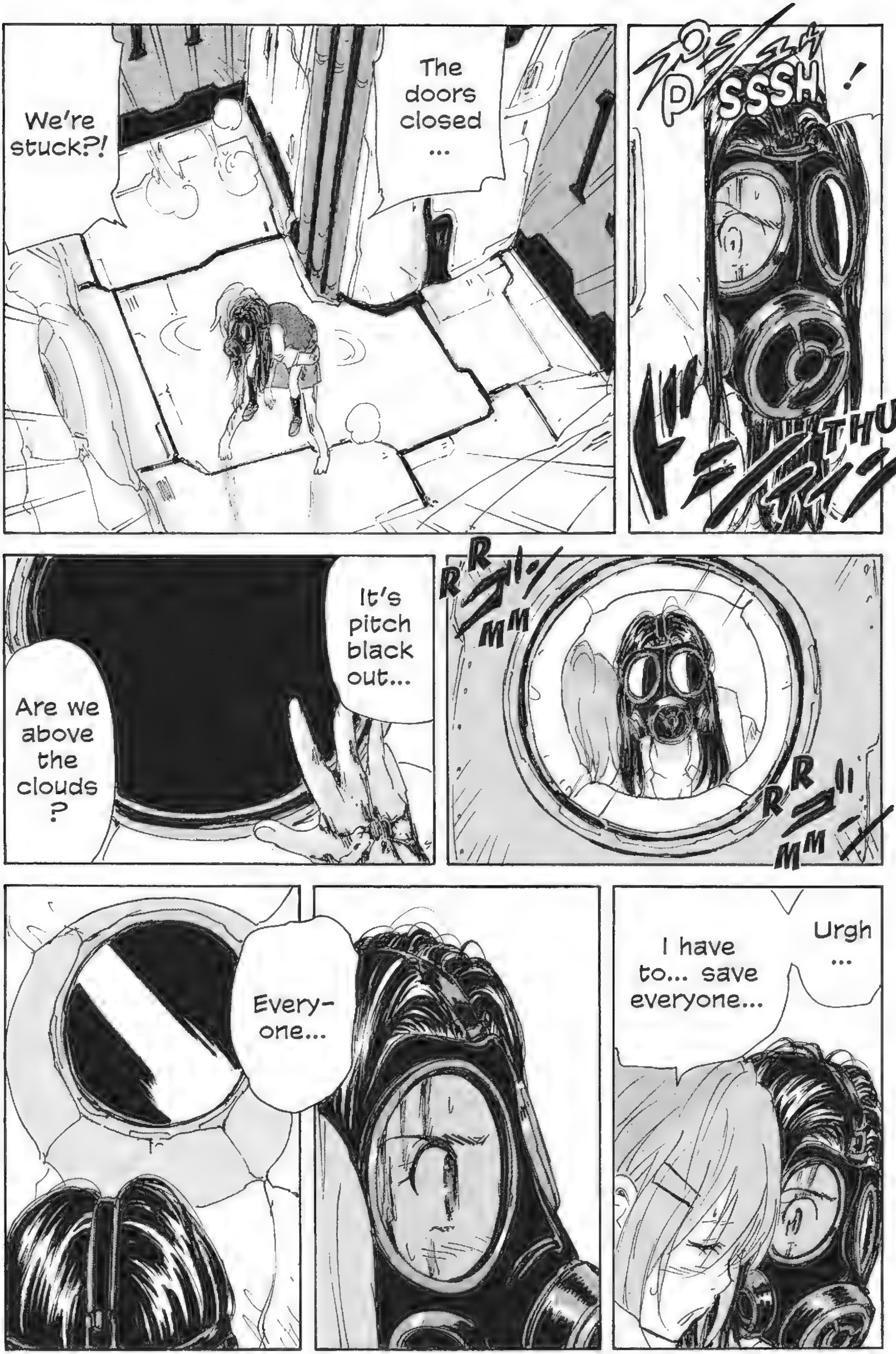

VW
Oh, no! She's completely out of control!
What now?! If we open fire on her, she'll send everything back at us!
...!
...
Look! She's doing it again!
She's holding her head!
Stop...! Don't destroy the ship!
We need this airship to save the survivors ...!

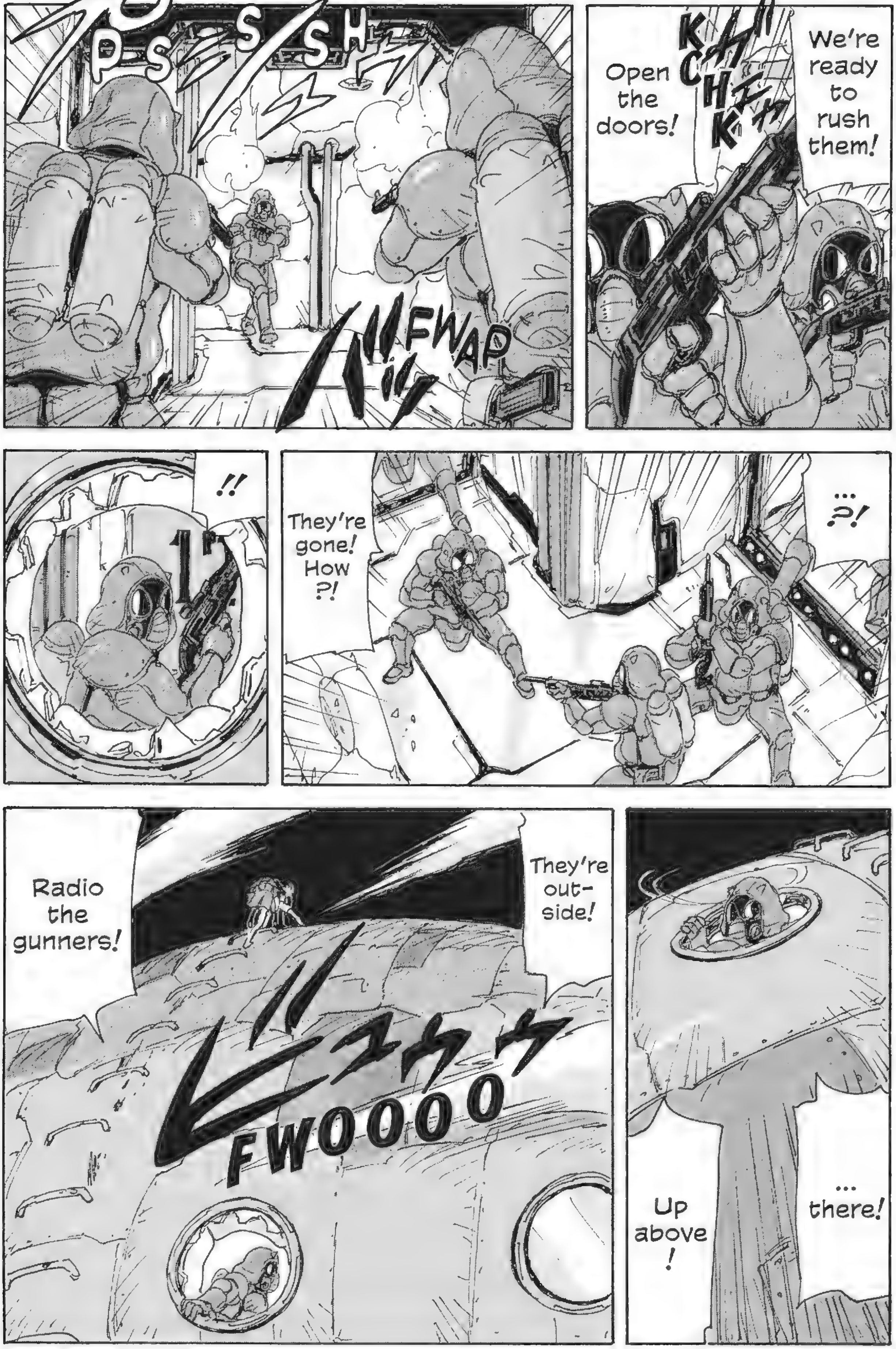

QUIET, AOI FUKASAKU!
WITH MY POWERS, I WILL RETURN EVERYTHING TO THE NOTHING FROM WHICH
Now!
Gas her!
A
...
BWOOOSH
Yes! We've got her!
A
B
More!
FWUMP
Hose her down!

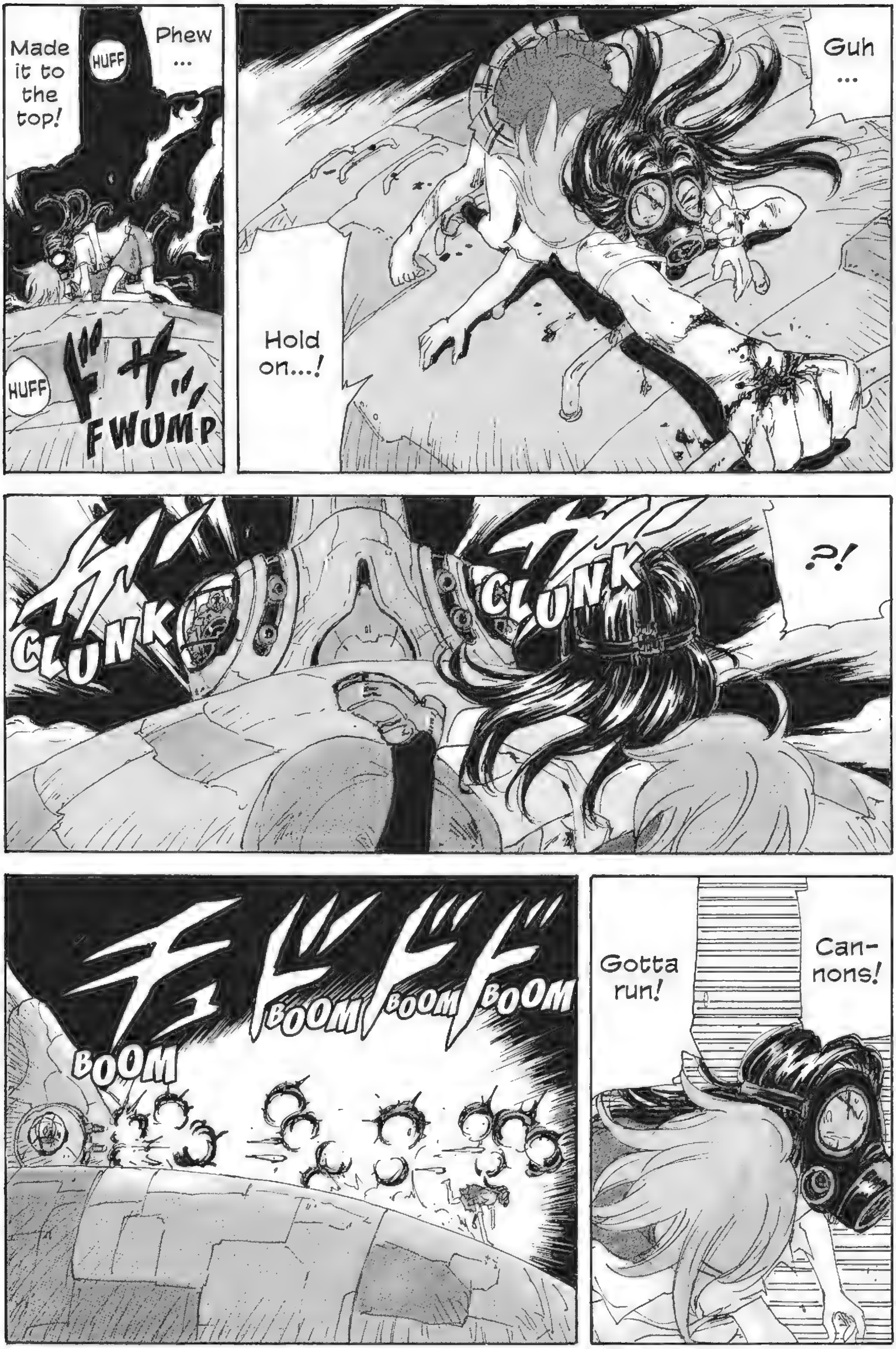

シSュHウOウOウO
Is she uncon-scious?!
Good! Now restrain her!
13
…
!!
チ
KRAK

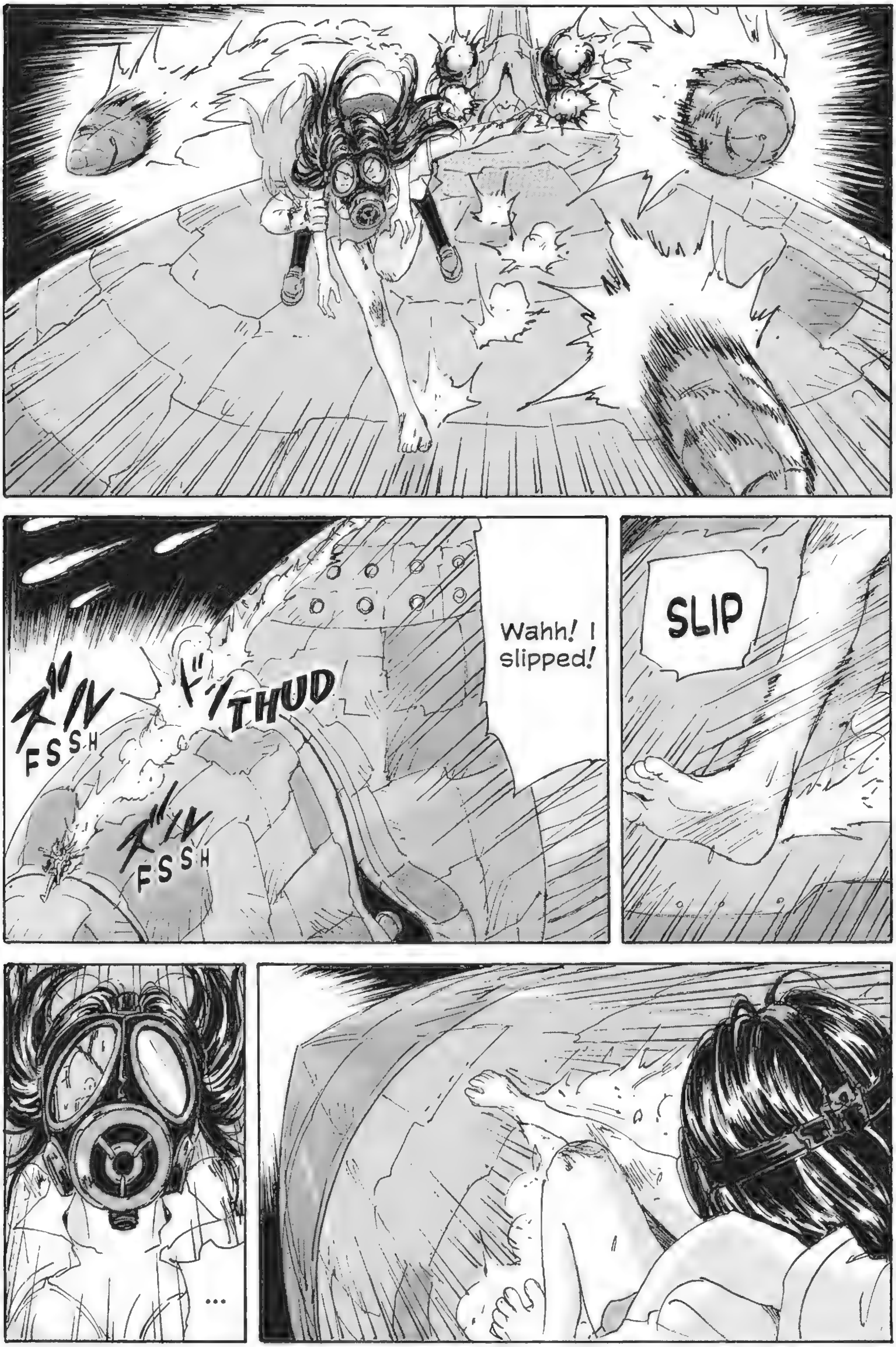

Gah!
!
FWUMP
Damn!
It's Shion Ozu!
GRAB
!
DASH
Don't let them get away!
After then!
THUD
THUD
BOOM
HOP
BOOM

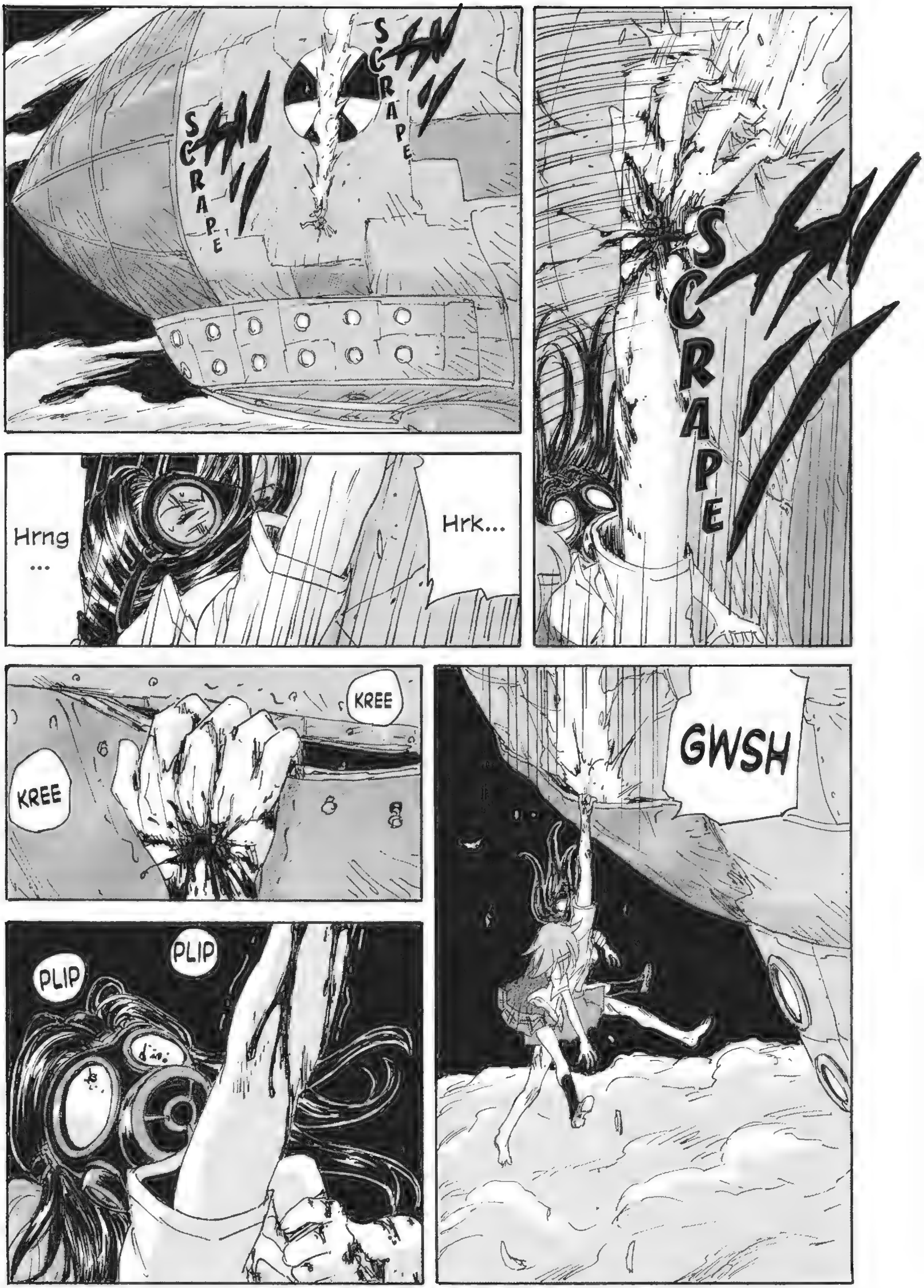

BOOMF
WHIRL
BZZ
There's a problem in the pressure lines!
Seal it off before it spreads to the fuel!
WHIRL
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
Hrmph... Where are they?!
Shion Ozu... Where is she hiding?!
We have a bigger problem! The fire's spreading!
If we don't put it out, the ship could explode!
Don't report anything yet! We're keeping this quiet as long as we can!
There!
I found them!
ZWSH
ZWSH
Shutting the blast doors!
CLICK
Send in every last man!

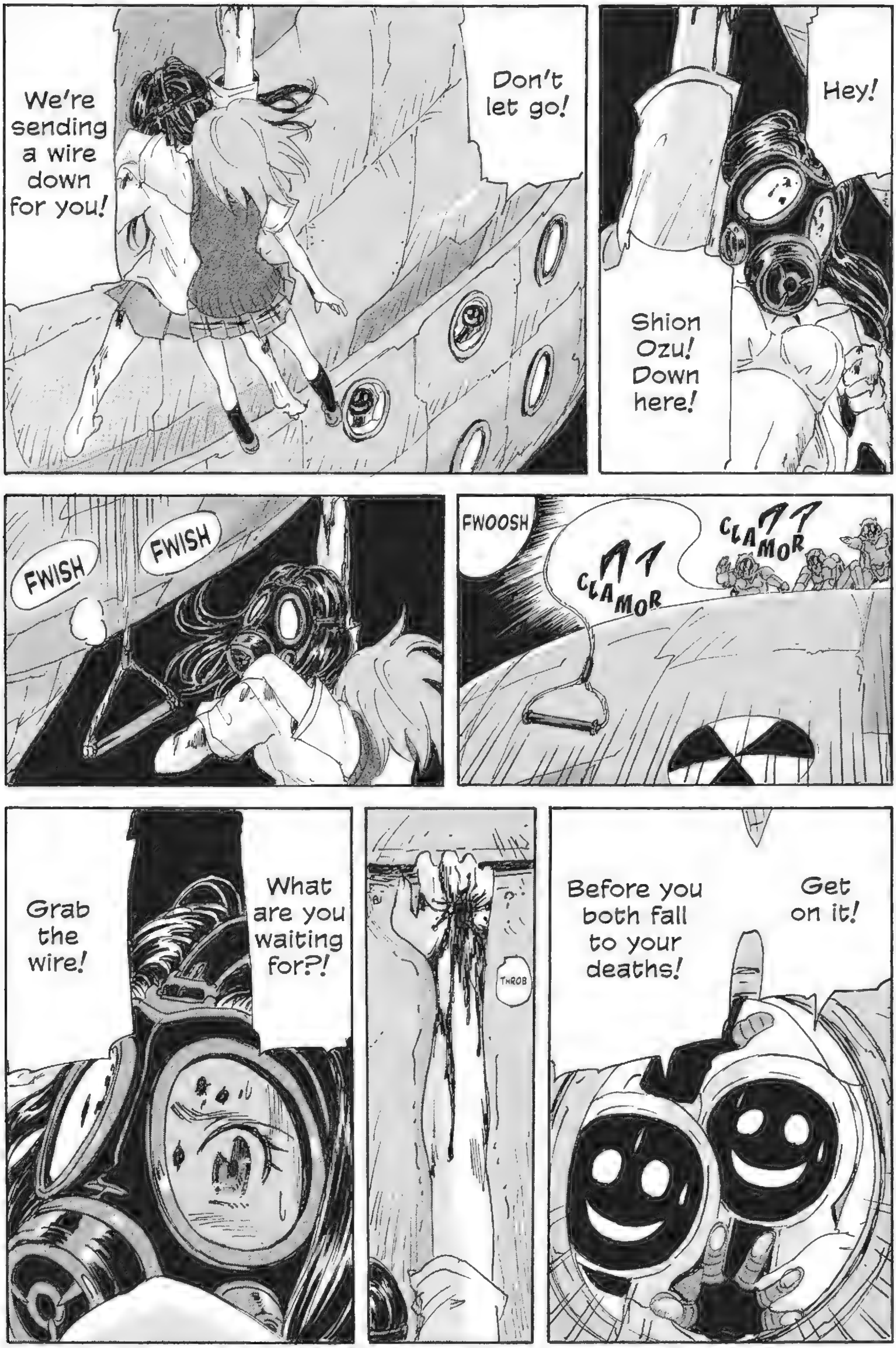

PSSSH!
THUD
The doors closed...
We're stuck?!
RRRMM
RRRMM
It's pitch black out...
Are we above the clouds?
Urgh...
I have to... save everyone...
Every-one...

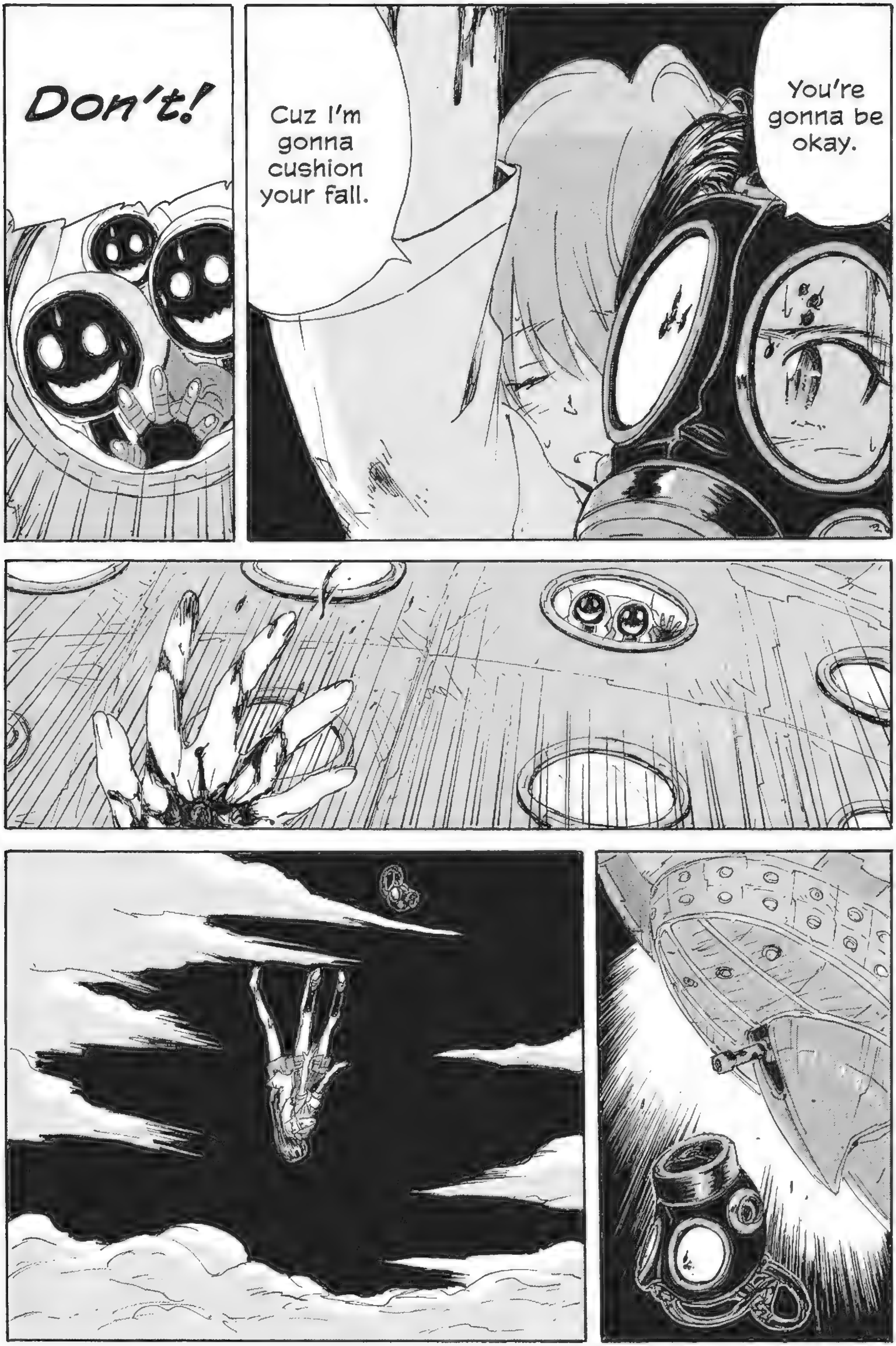

We're ready to rush them!
KCHIK
Open the doors!
PSSSH
FWAP
...?!
They're gone! How?!
!!
...there!
Up above!
They're outside!
Radio the gunners!
FWOOOO

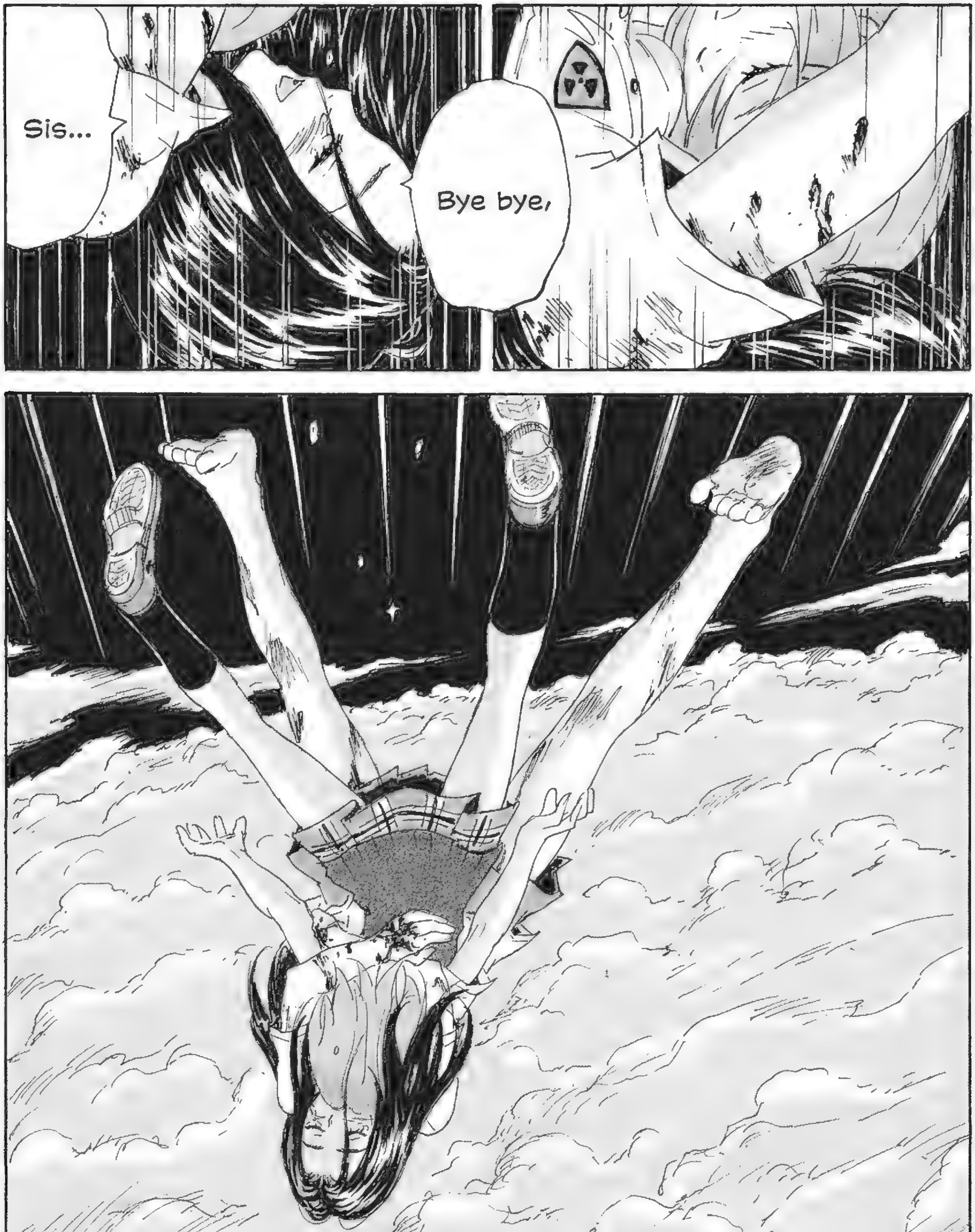

Guh ...
Hold on...!
Phew ...
HUFF
Made it to the top!
HUFF
ドサッ
FWUMP
?!
CLUNK
CLUNK
Can-nons!
Gotta run!
チュドドド
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM
BOOM


SLIP
Wahh! I slipped!
ドッ
THUD
ズバ
FSSH
ズバ
FSSH
...


SHH
SCRAPE
SHH
SCRAPE
SHH
SCRAPE
Hrng...
Hrk...
KREE
KREE
PLIP
PLIP
GWSH


Hey!
Shion Ozu! Down here!
Don't let go!
We're sending a wire down for you!
FWOOSH
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
FWISH
FWISH
Get on it!
Before you both fall to your deaths!
THROB
What are you waiting for?!
Grab the wire!


You're gonna be okay.
Cuz I'm gonna cushion your fall.
Don't!


Bye bye,
Sis...
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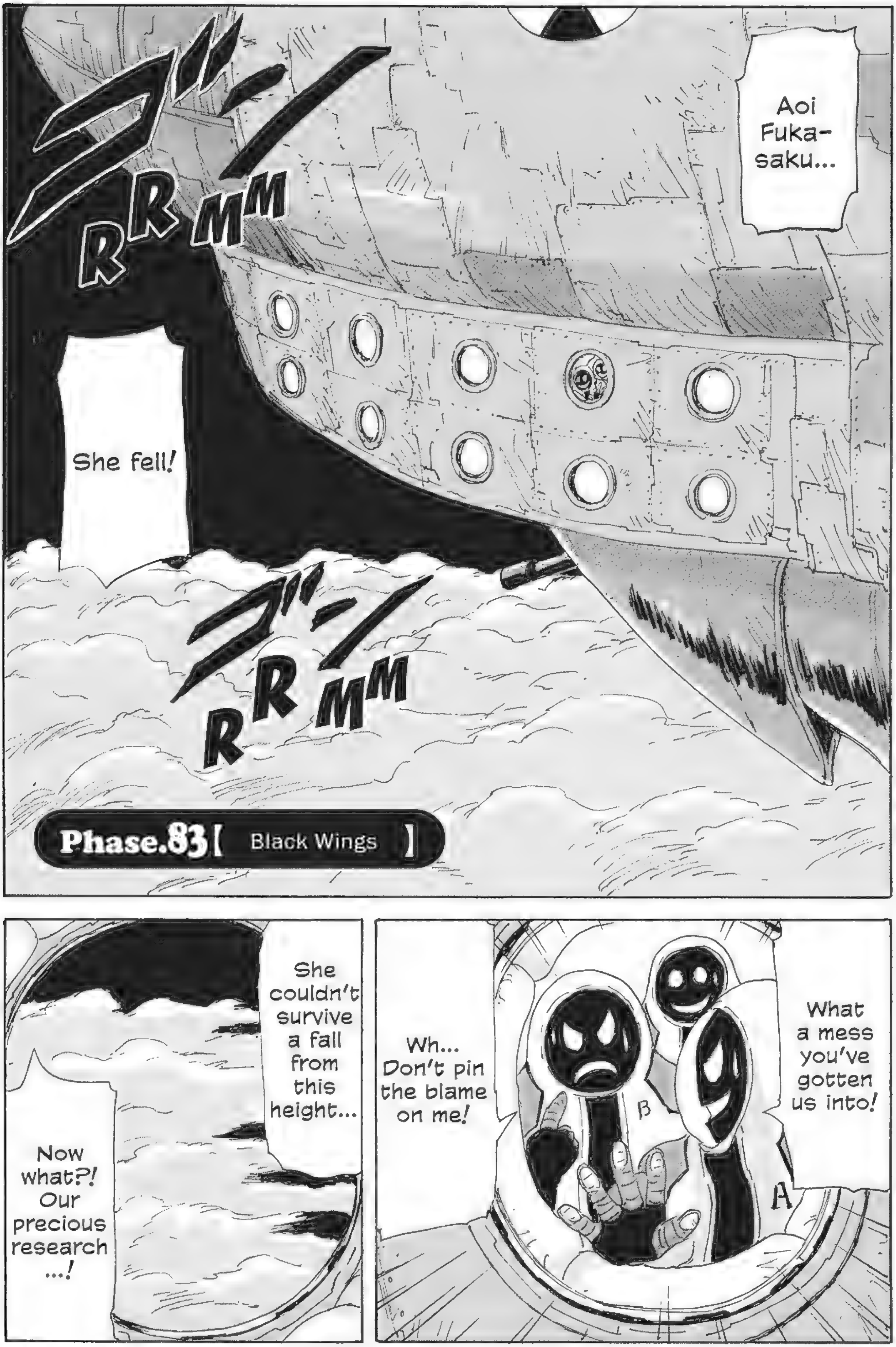
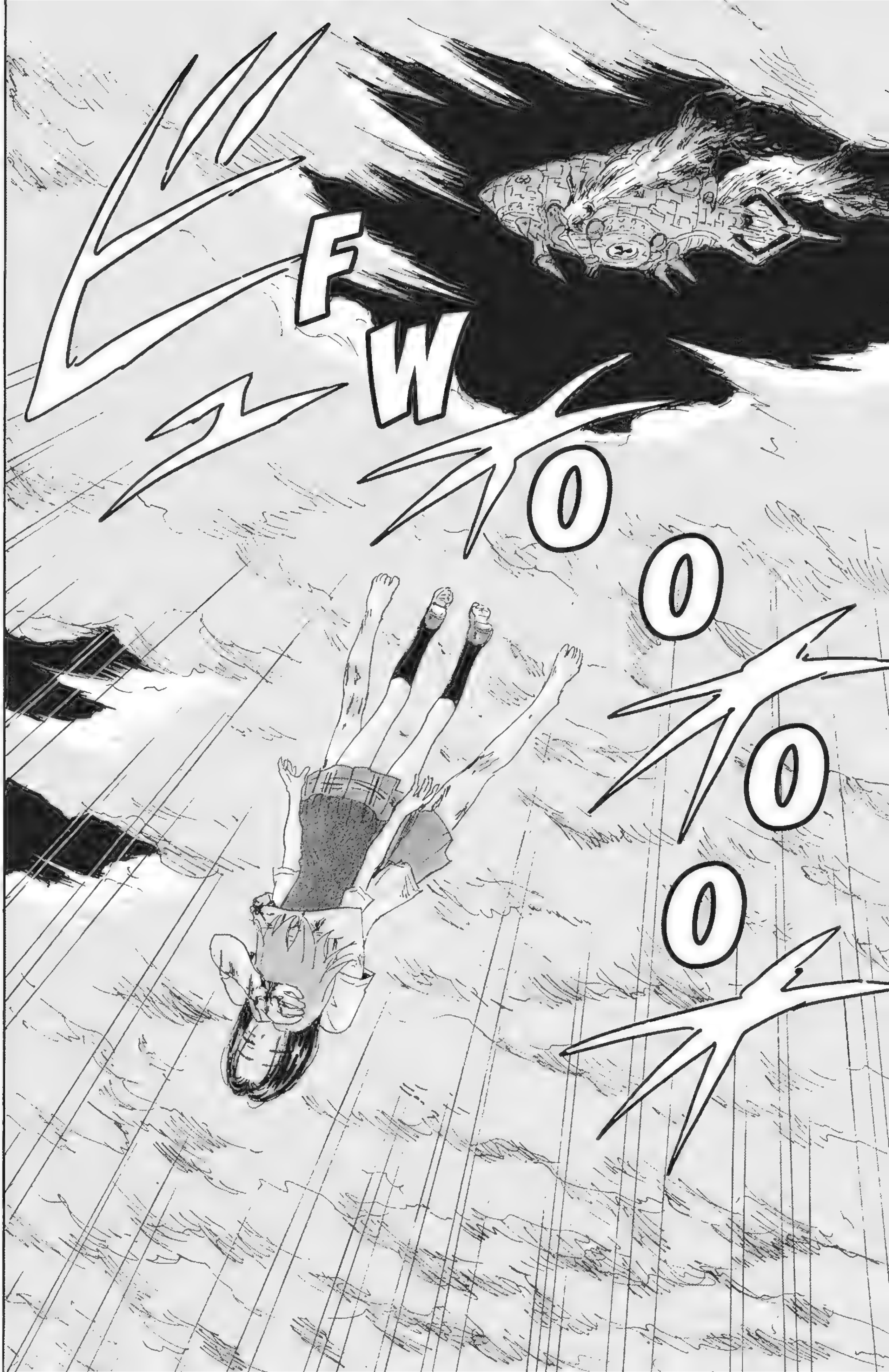
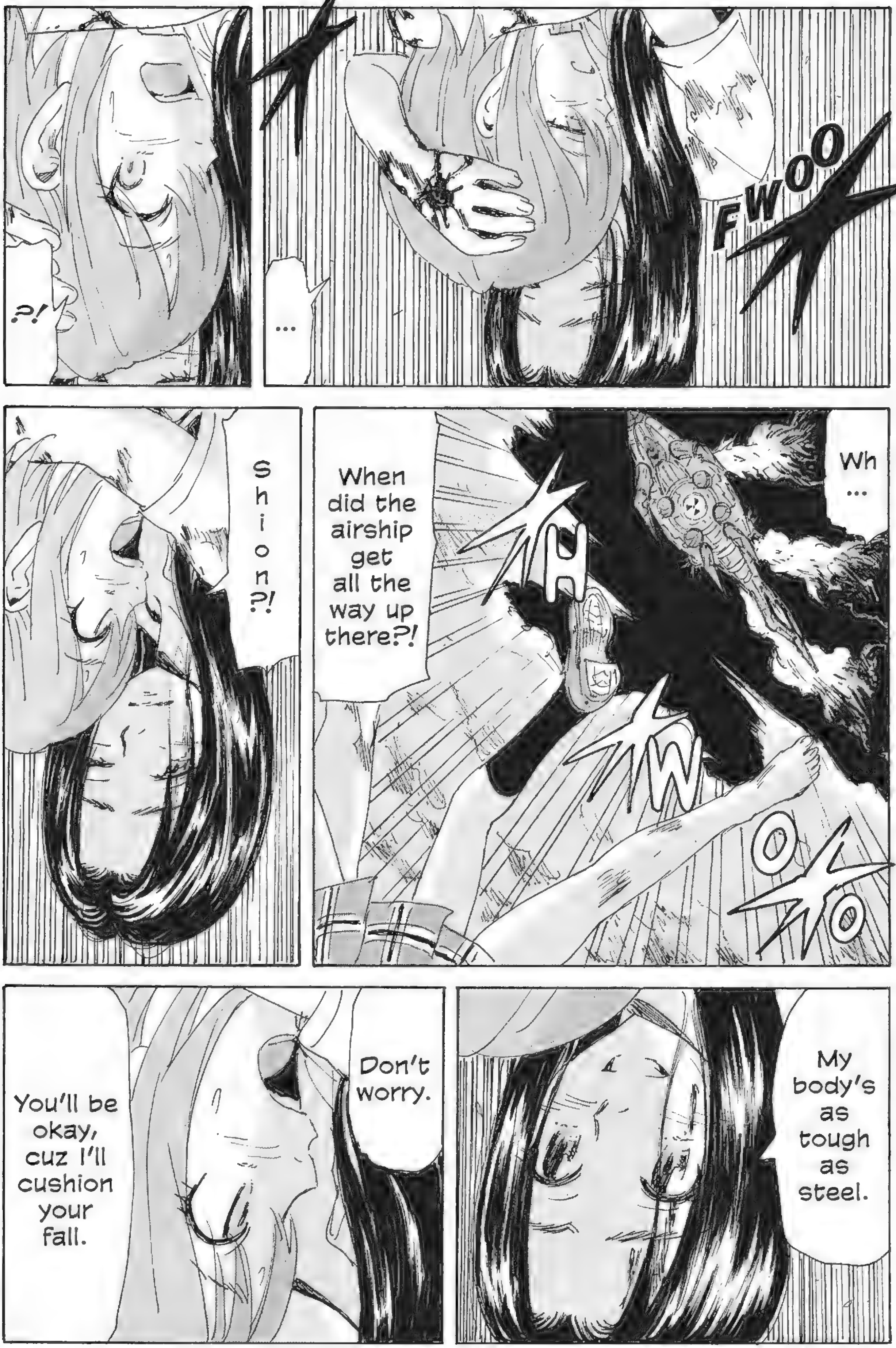
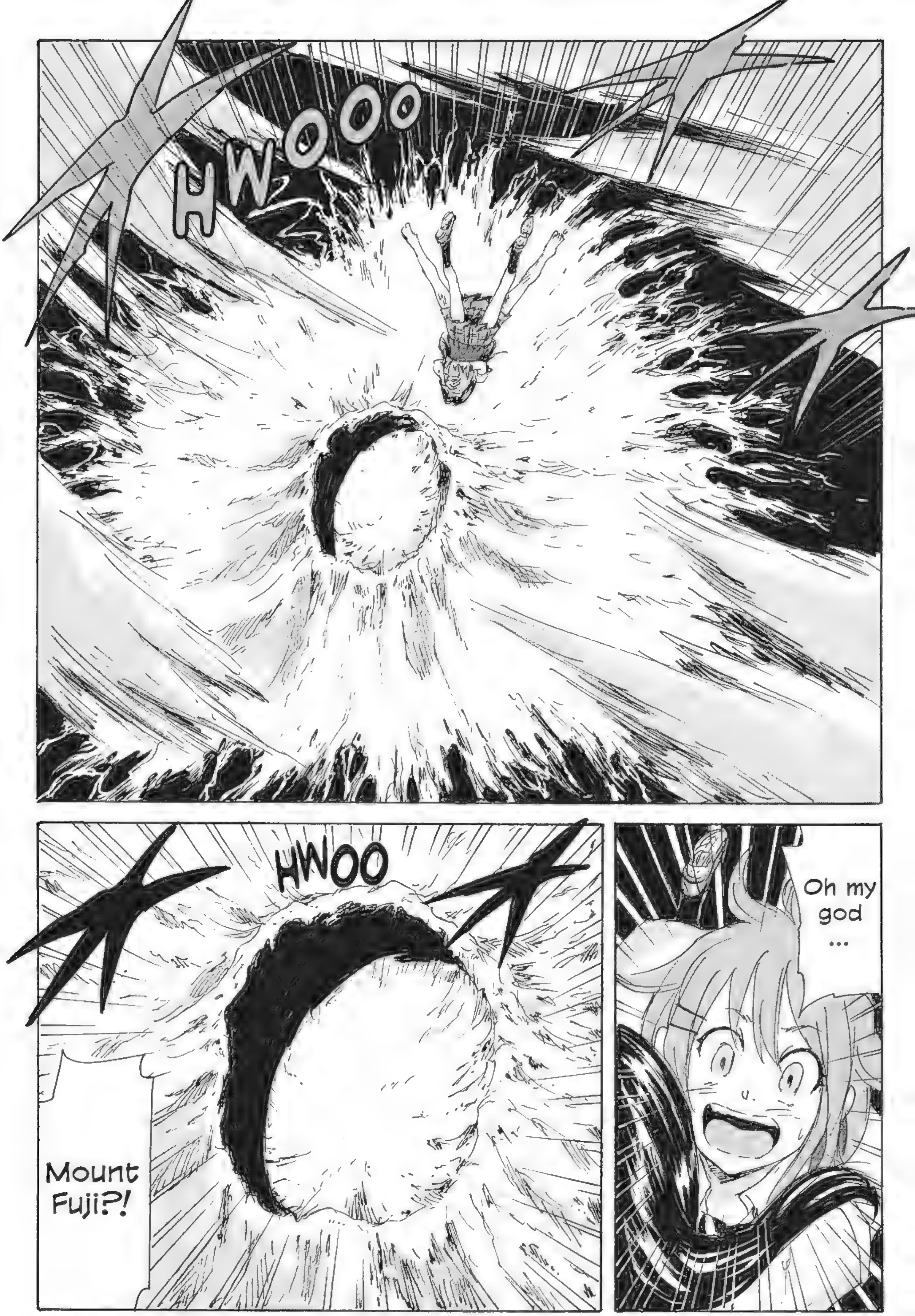
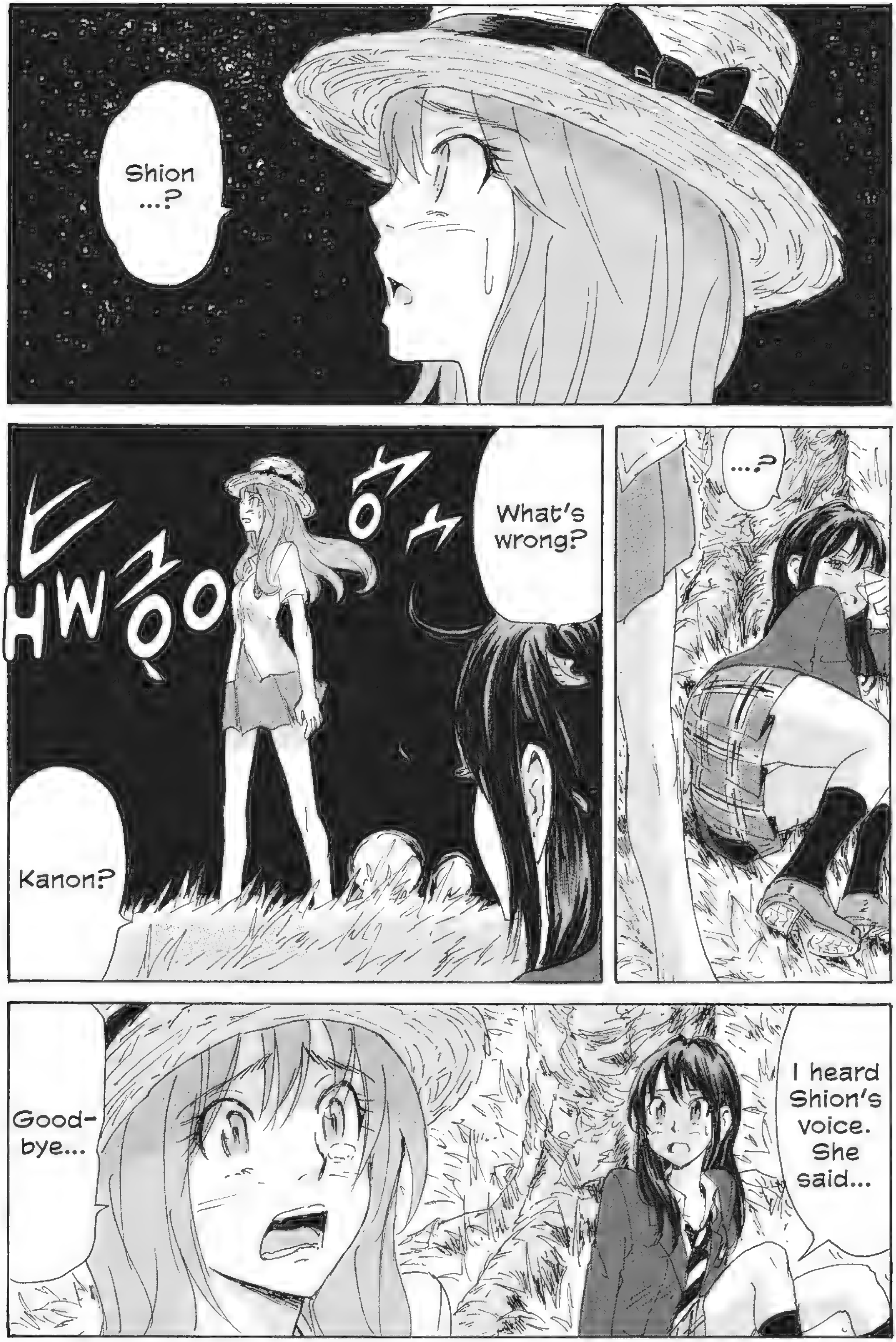
Phase.83 [Black Wings]

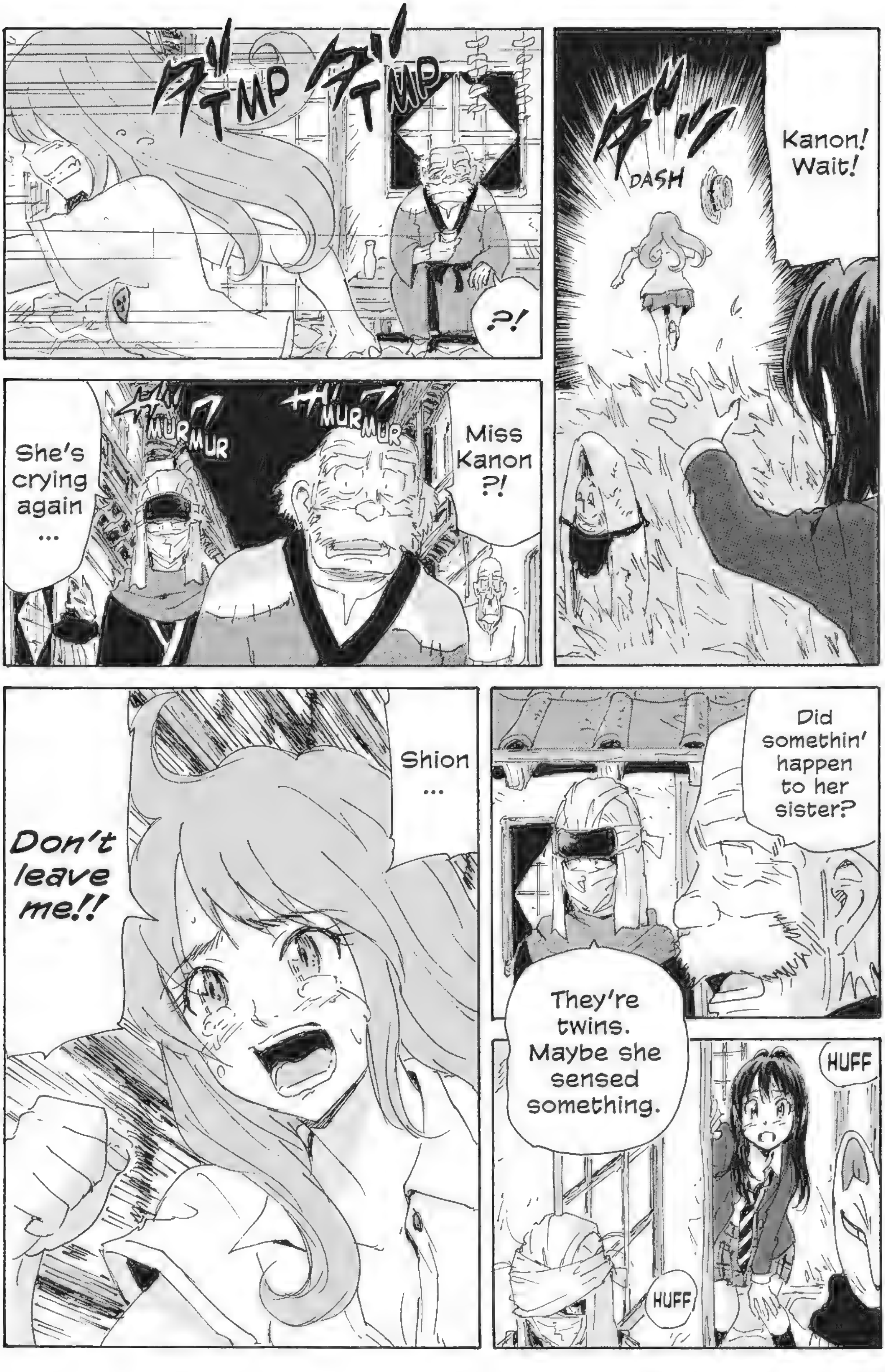

Aoi Fukasaku...
RRRMMM
She fell!
RRRMMM
What a mess you've gotten us into!
Wh... Don't pin the blame on me!
B
A
She couldn't survive a fall from this height...
Now what?! Our precious research...!

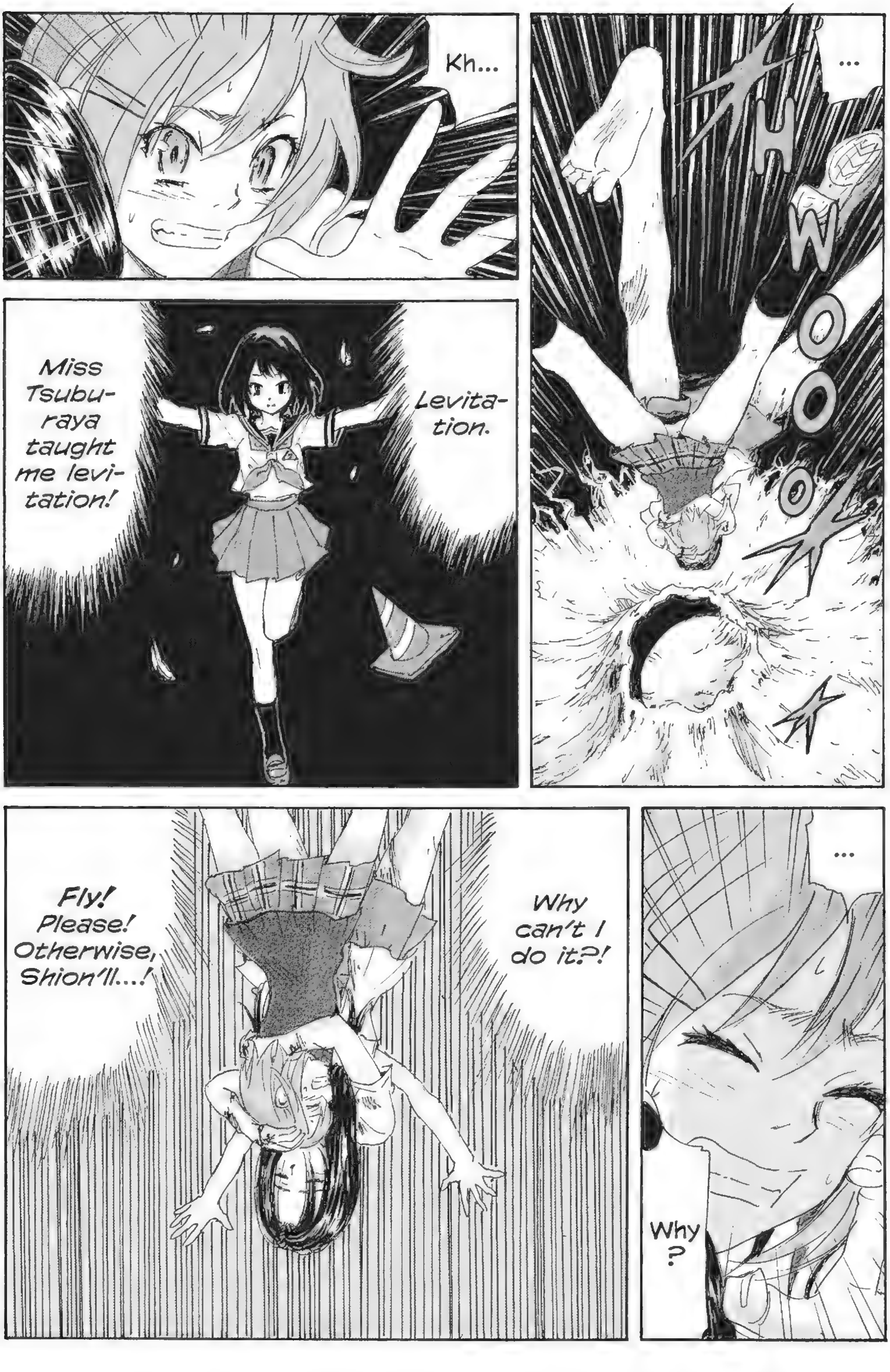

FWOOOO

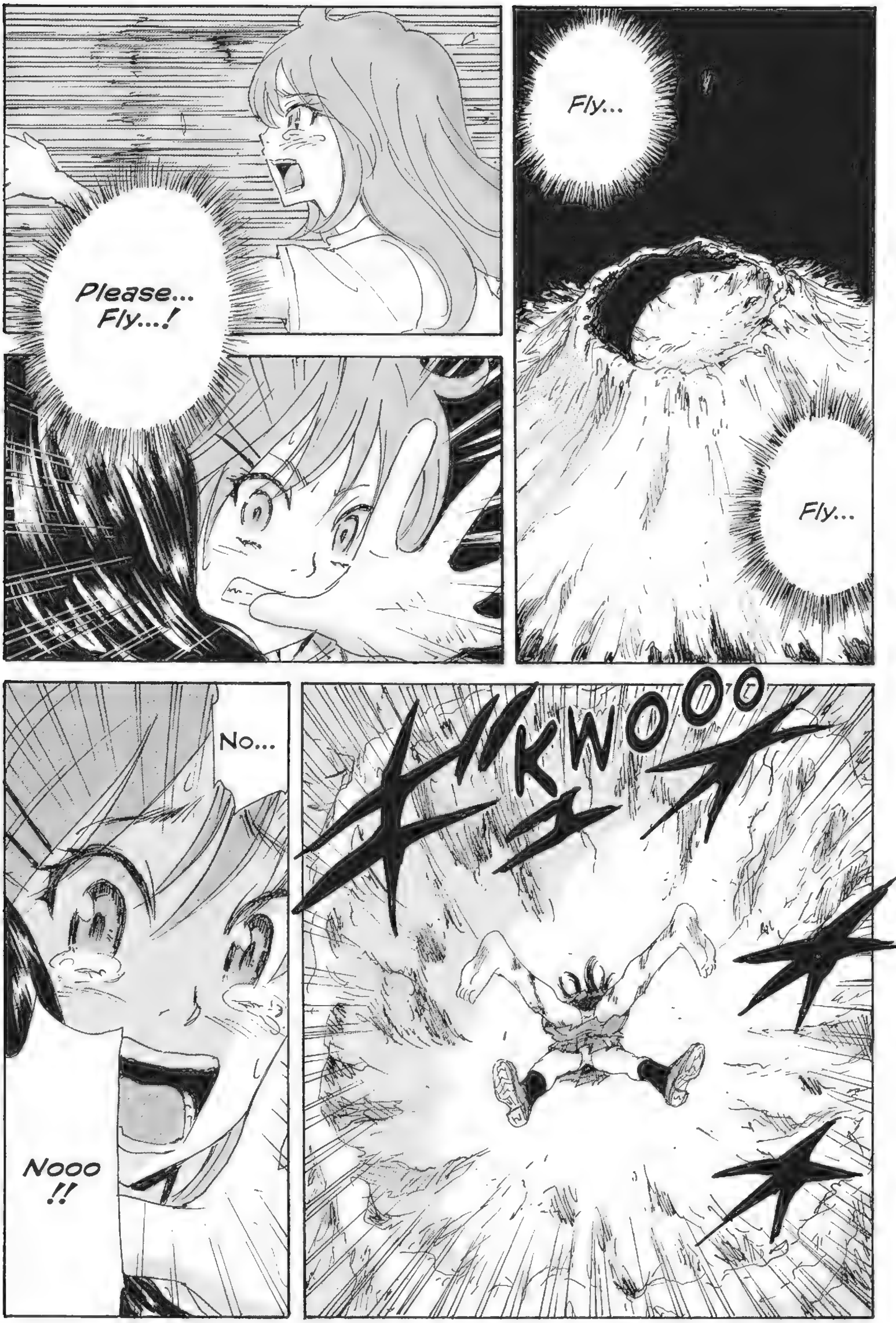

FWOO
...
?!
Wh ...
When did the airship get all the way up there?!
WHWOOO
Shion?!
My body's as tough as steel.
Don't worry.
You'll be okay, cuz I'll cushion your fall.

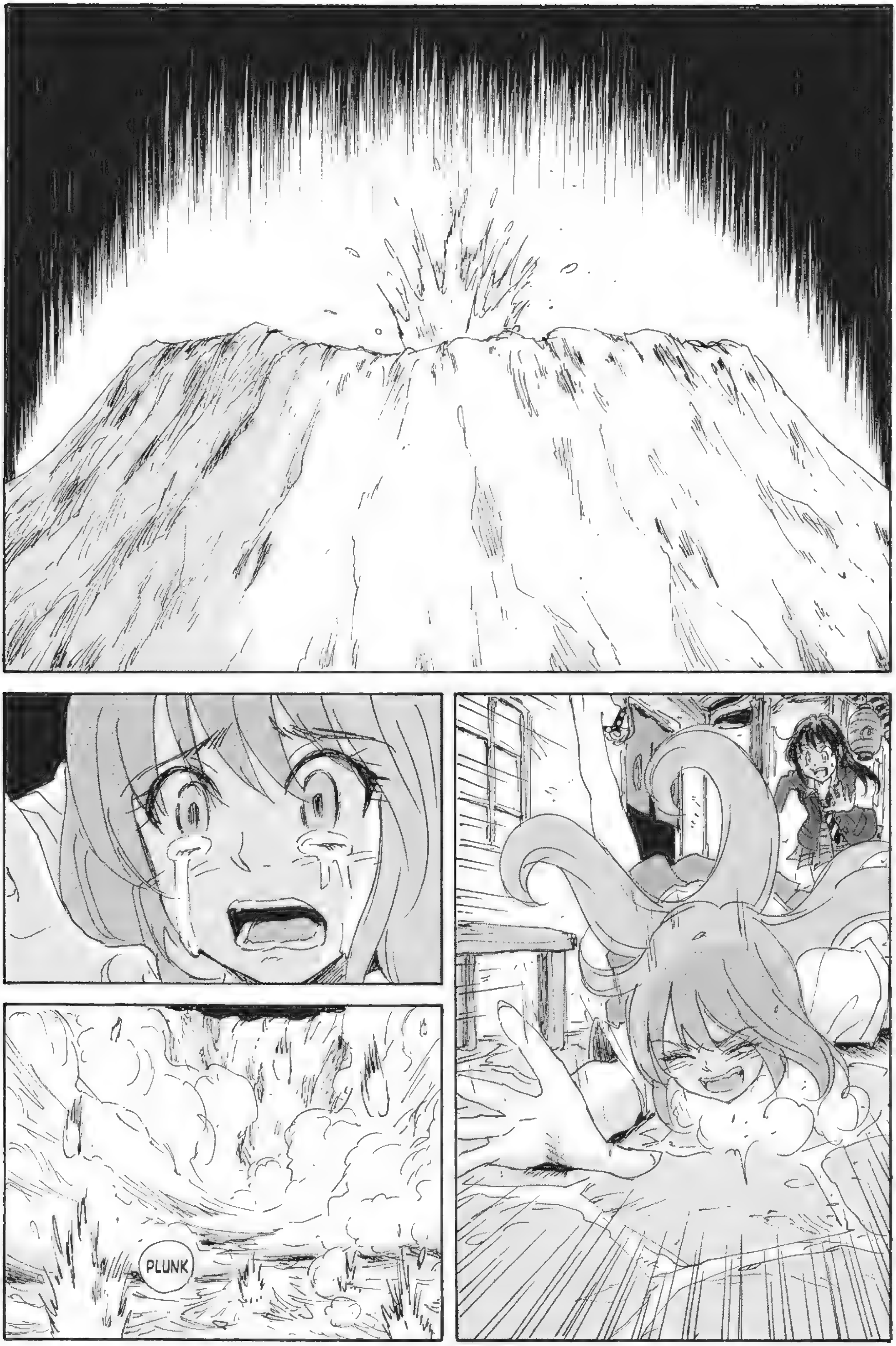

HWOOOO
HWOO
Oh my god ...
Mount Fuji?!

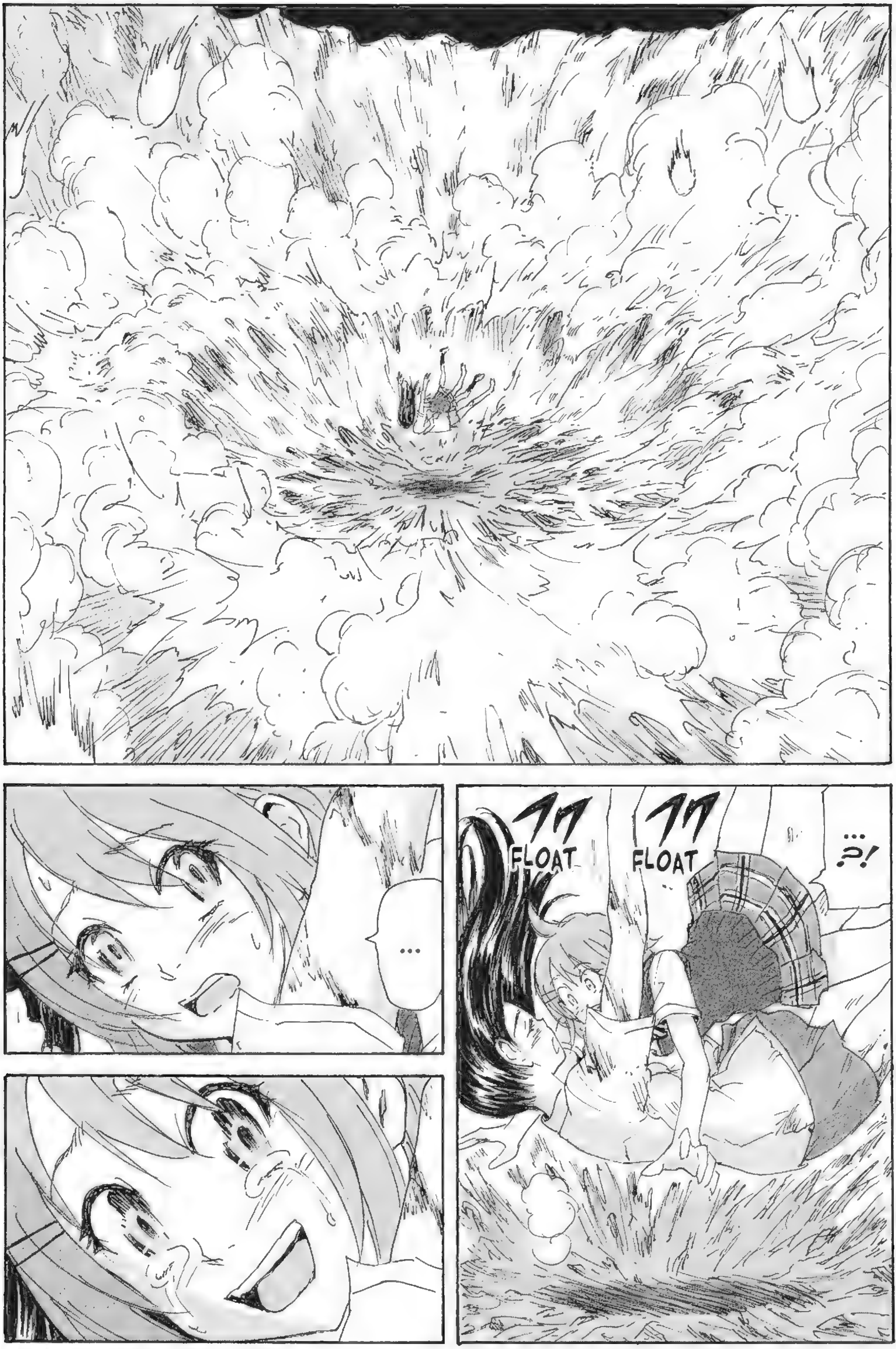

Shion ...?
...?
What's wrong?
HWOOO
Kanon?
I heard Shion's voice. She said...
Good-bye...

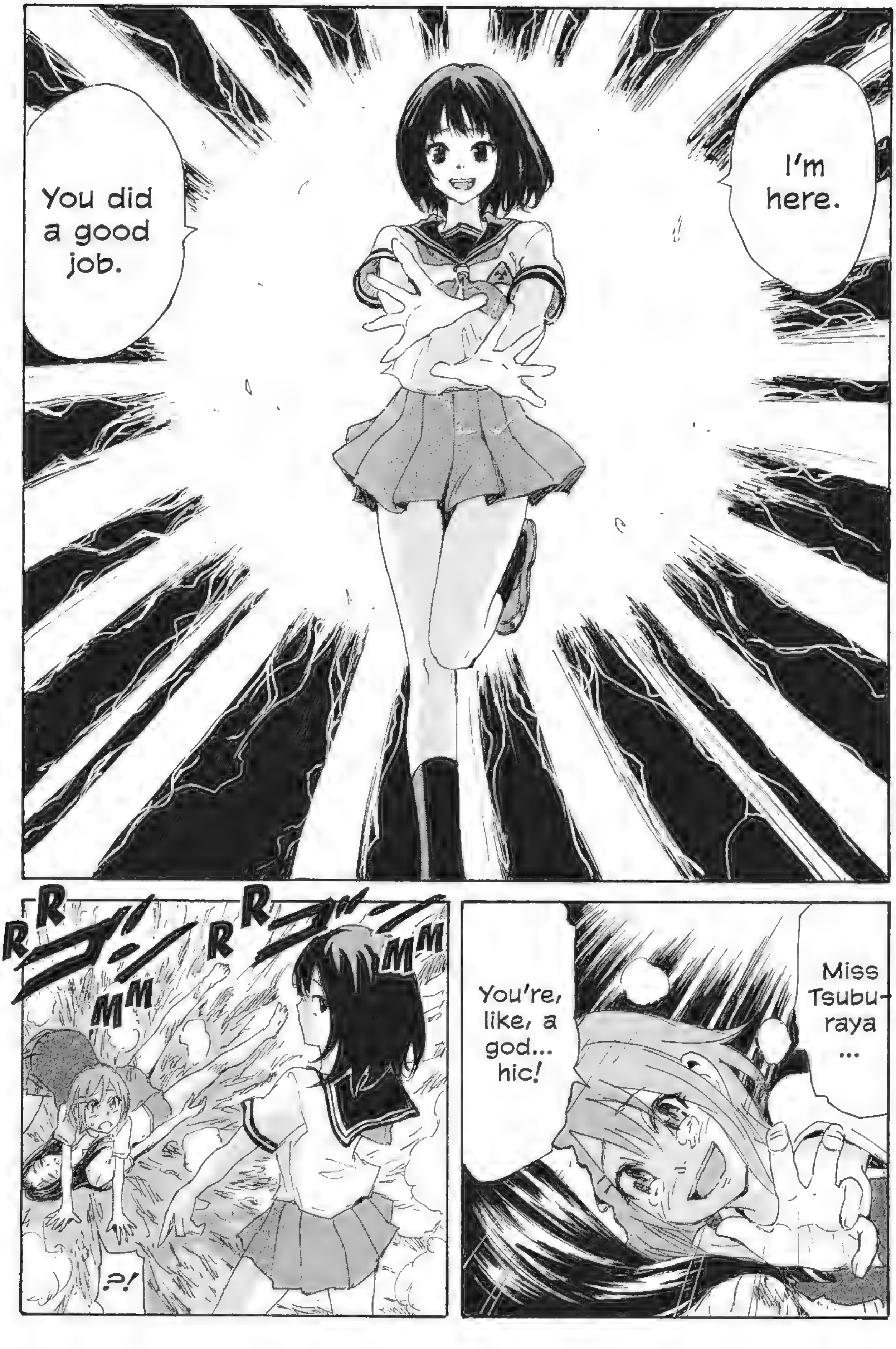

DASH
Kanon! Wait!
TMP TMP
?!
Miss Kanon ?!
MURMUR MURMUR
She's crying again ...
Did somethin' happen to her sister?
They're twins. Maybe she sensed something.
HUFF
HUFF
Shion ...
Don't leave me!!

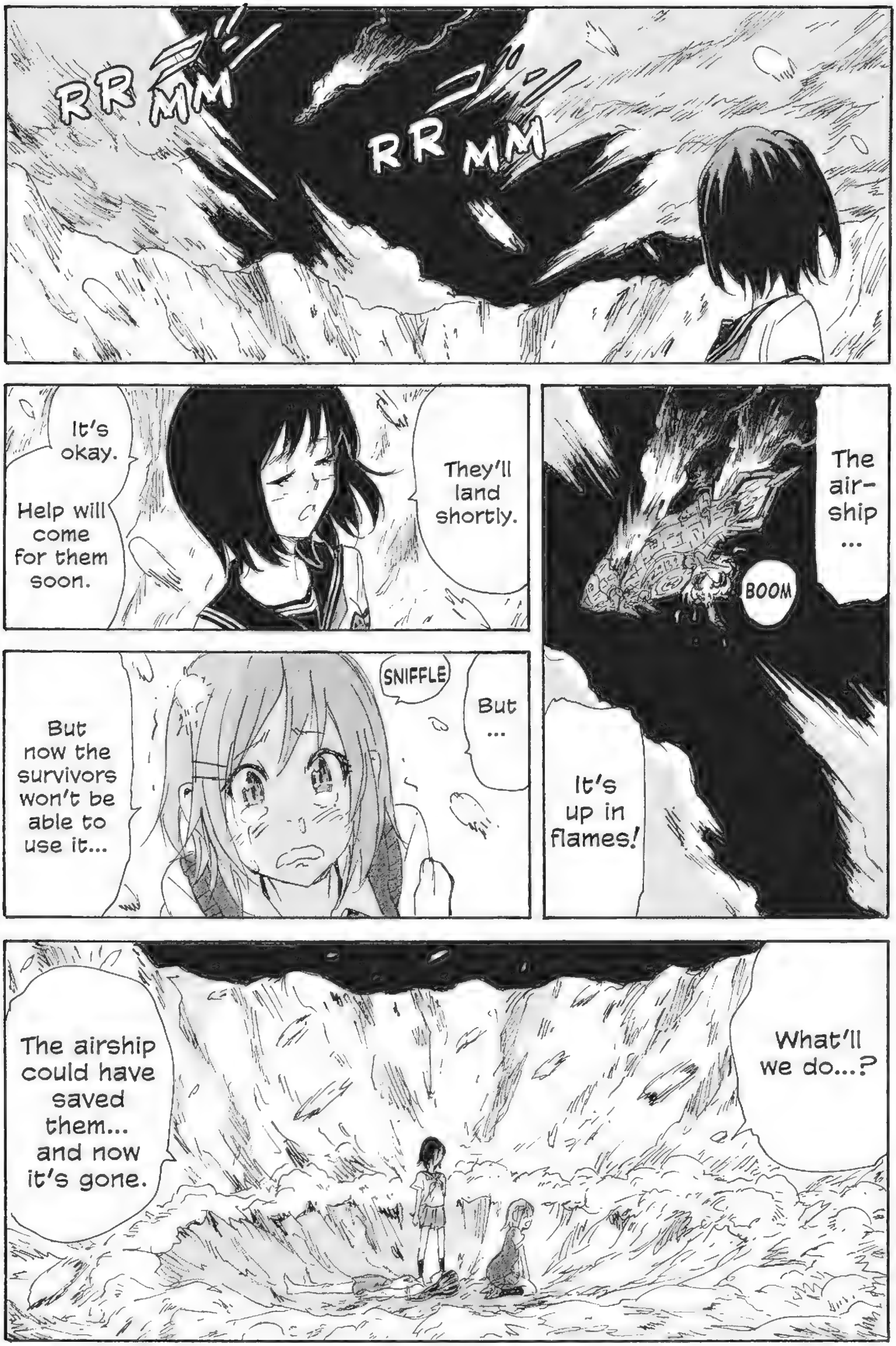

Kh...
Miss Tsuburaya taught me levitation!
Levitation.
...
SHWOOOK
Fly! Please! Otherwise, Shion'll...!
Why can't I do it?!
...
Why?

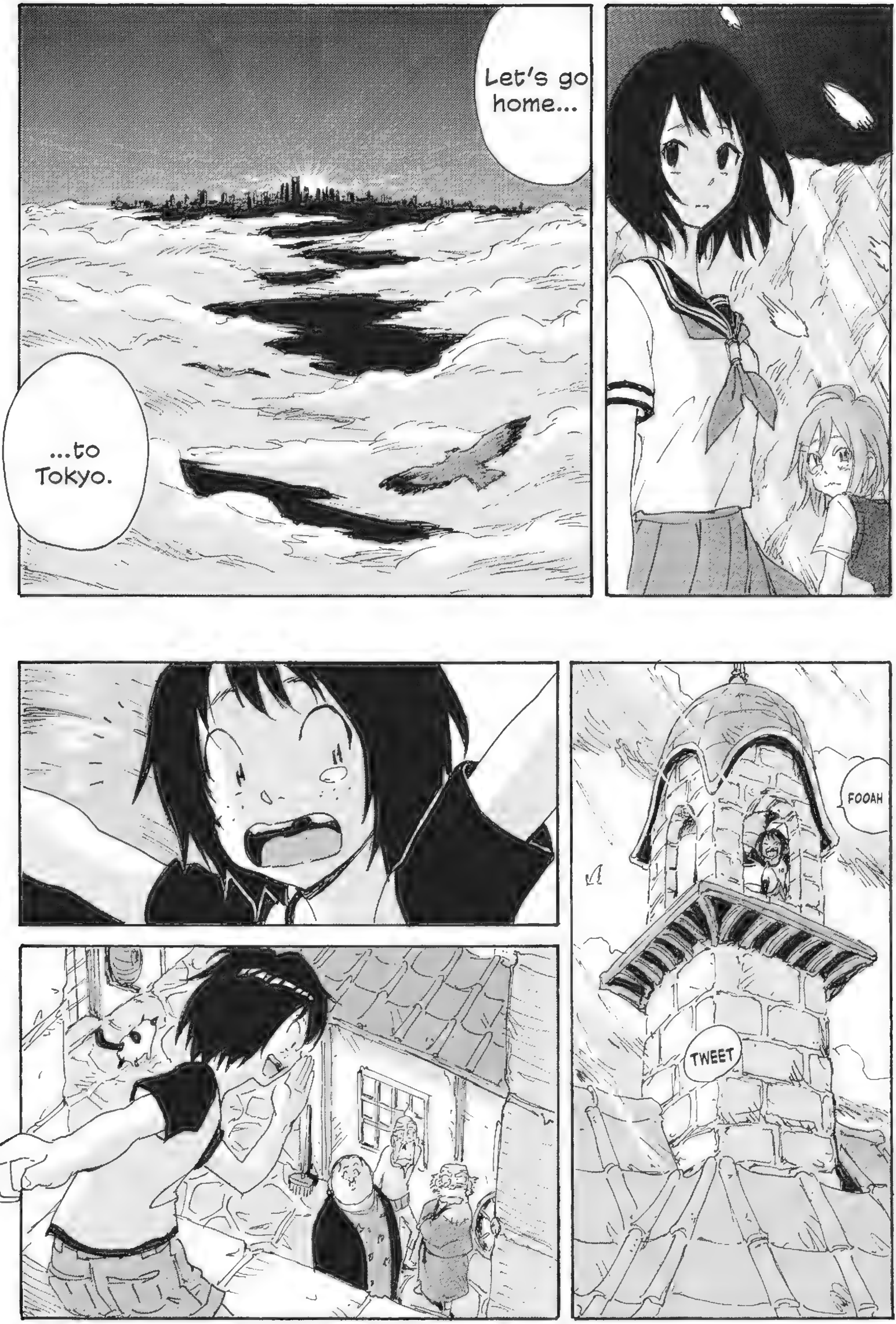

Fly...
Fly...
Please... Fly...!
KWOOOO
No...
Nooo !!

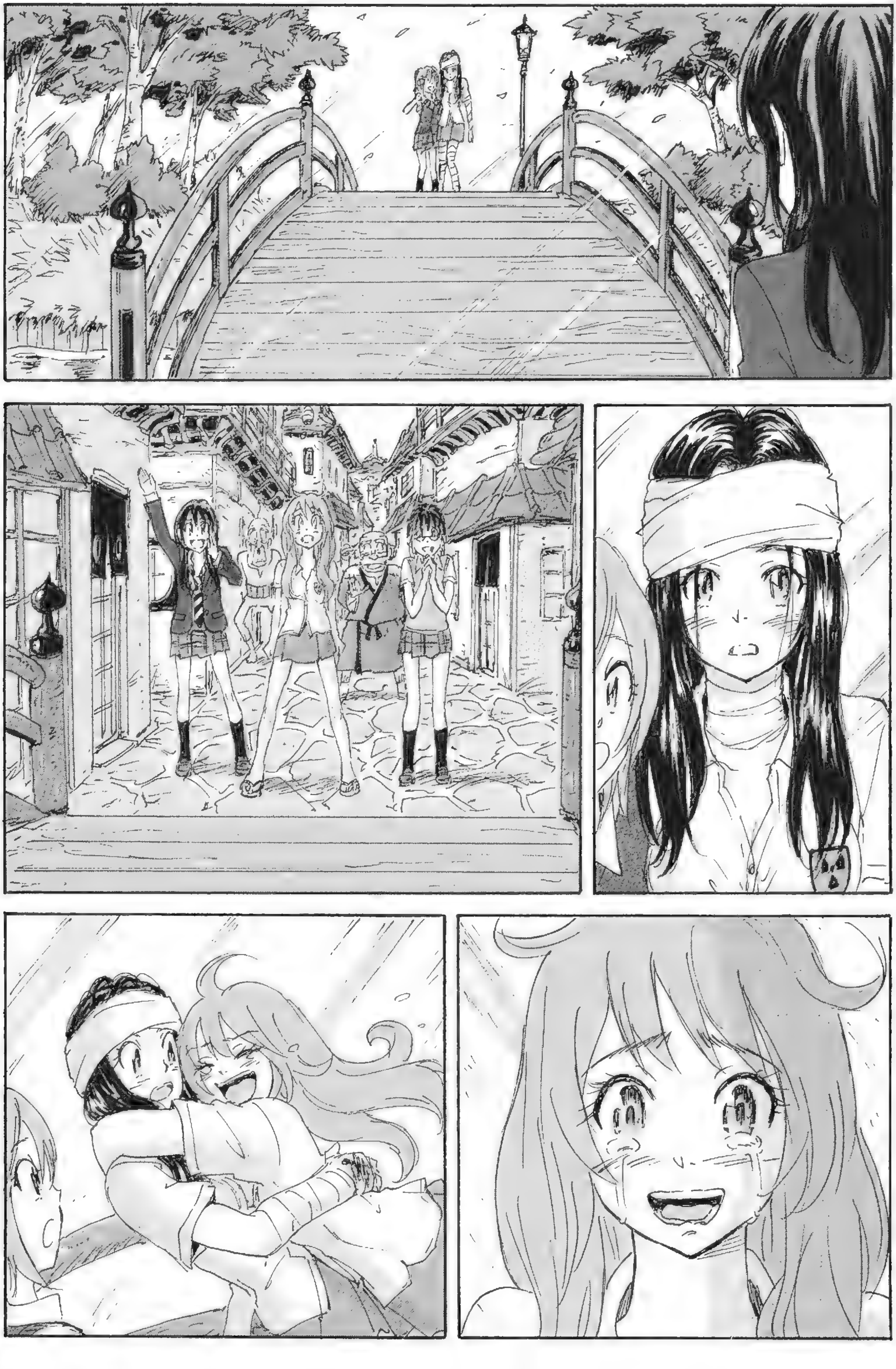

PLUNK

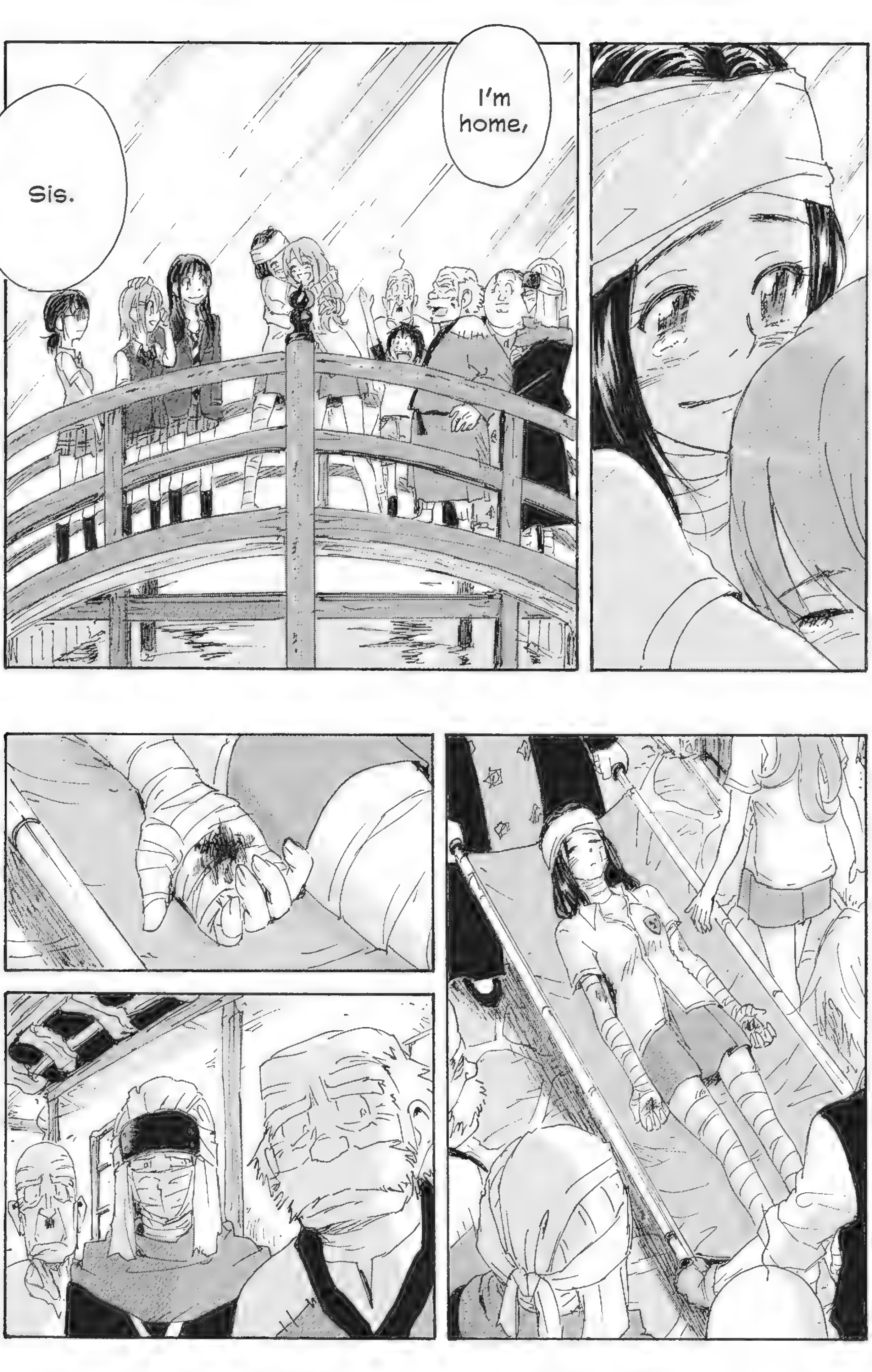

…?!
フワ
FLOAT
フワ
FLOAT
…

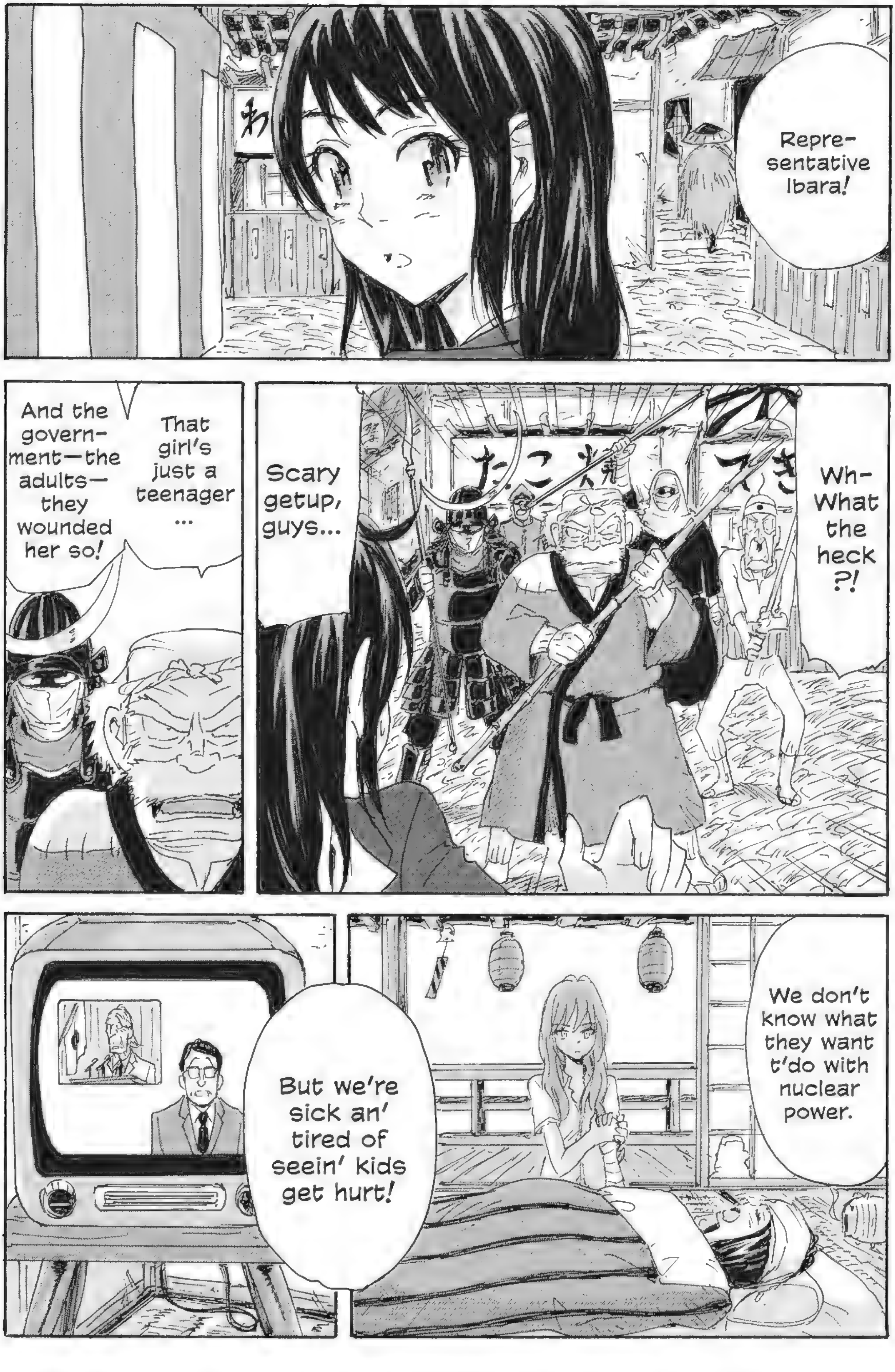

I'm here.
You did a good job.
Miss Tsuburaya...
You're, like, a god... hic!
RRRMMM
RRRMMM
?!

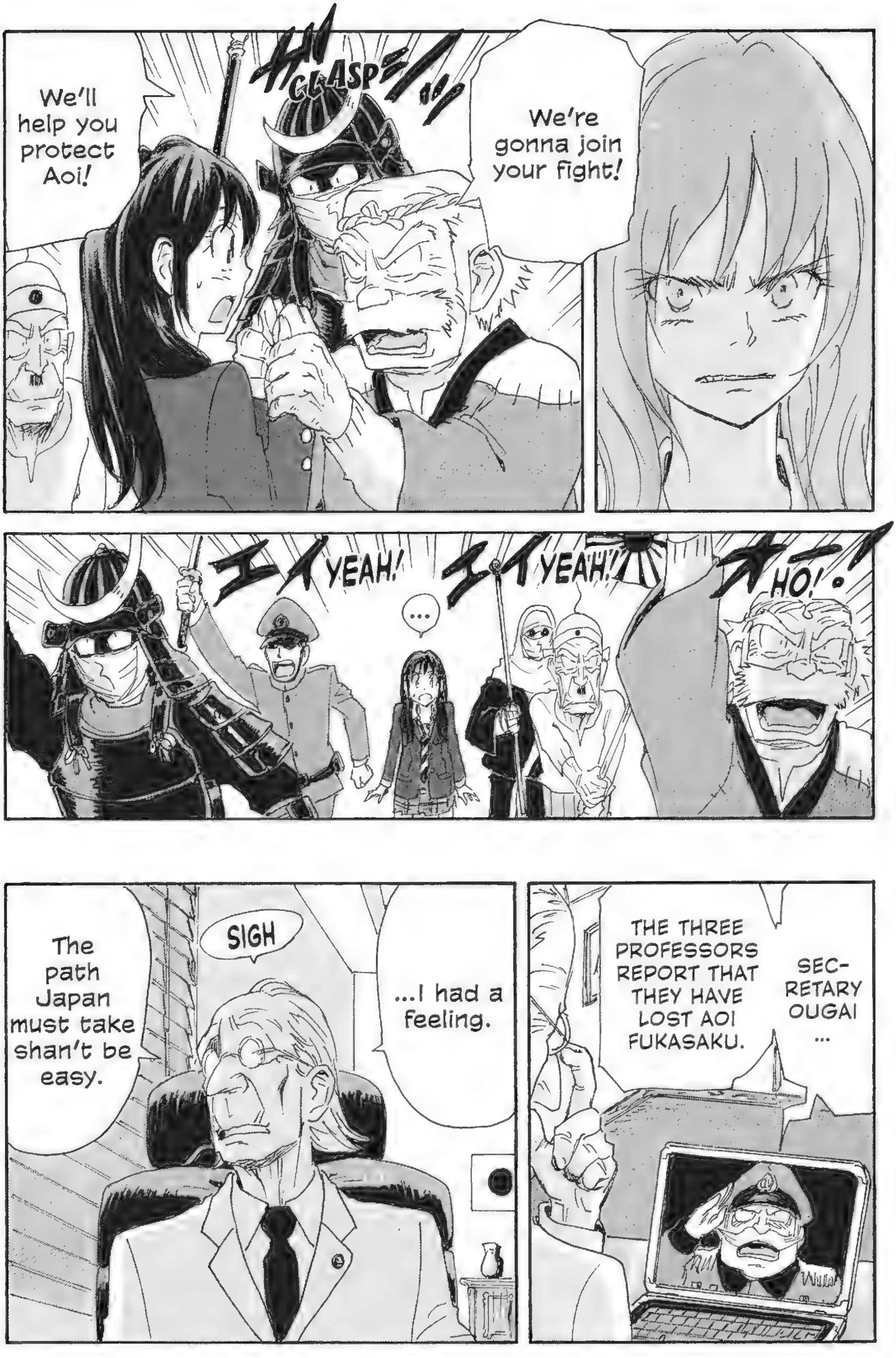

RRMM
RRMM
The airship...
BOOM
It's up in flames!
They'll land shortly.
It's okay.
Help will come for them soon.
SNIFFLE
But...
But now the survivors won't be able to use it...
What'll we do...?
The airship could have saved them... and now it's gone.

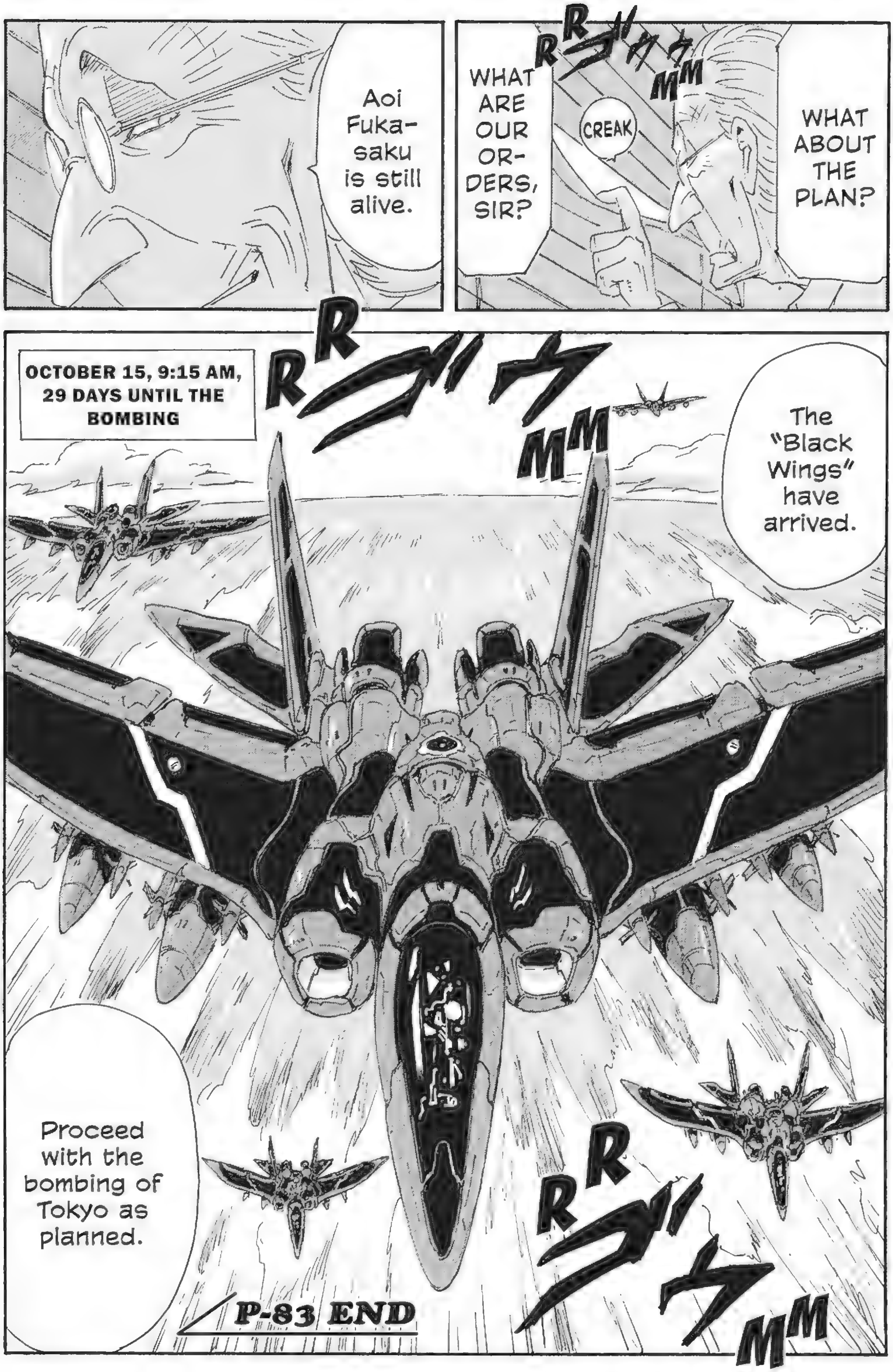

Let's go home...
...to Tokyo.
FOOAH
TWEET



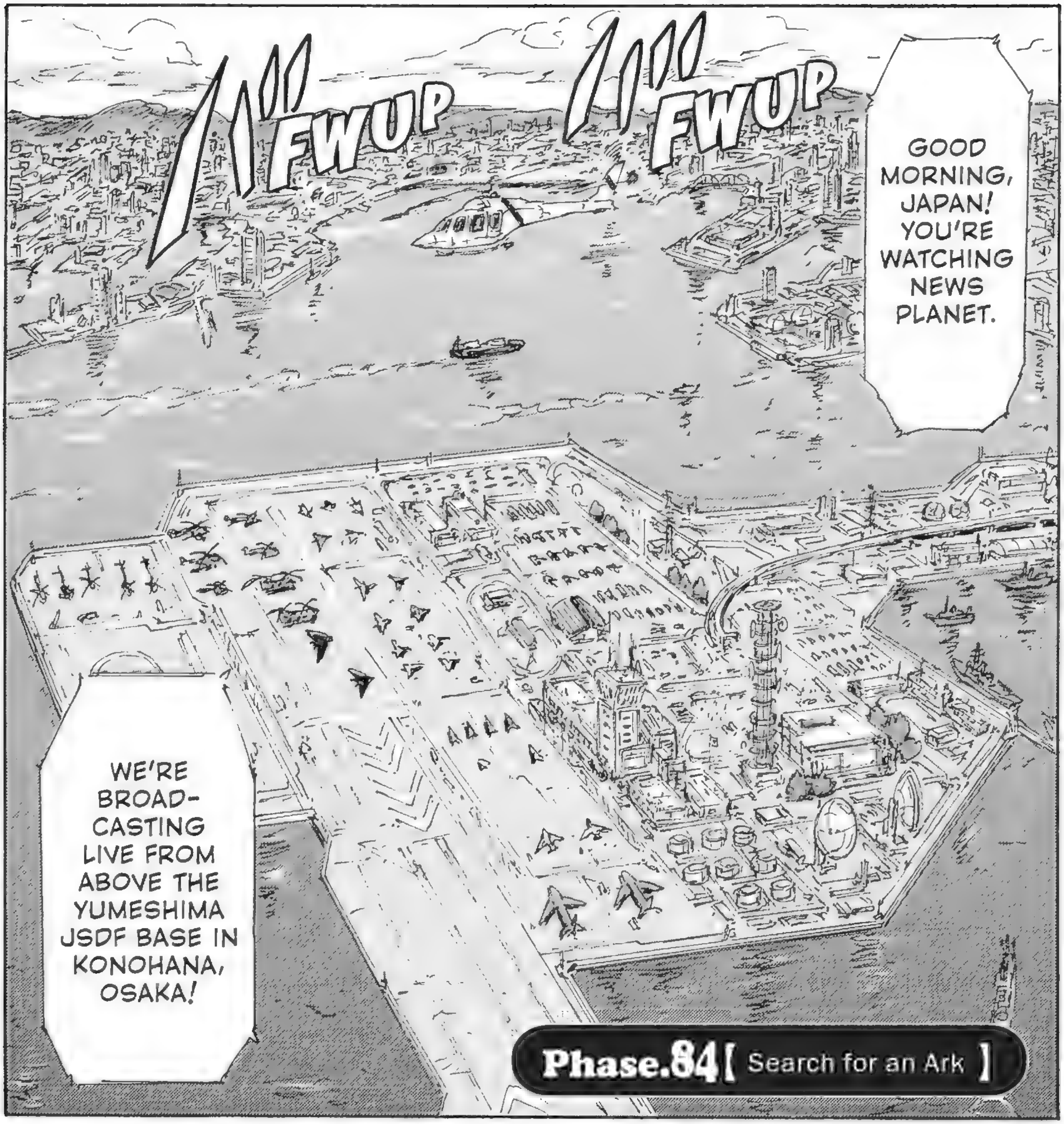

I'm home,
Sis.


Representative Ibara!
Wh-What the heck?!
Scary getup, guys...
That girl's just a teenager...
And the government—the adults—they wounded her so!
We don't know what they want t'do with nuclear power.
But we're sick an' tired of seein' kids get hurt!

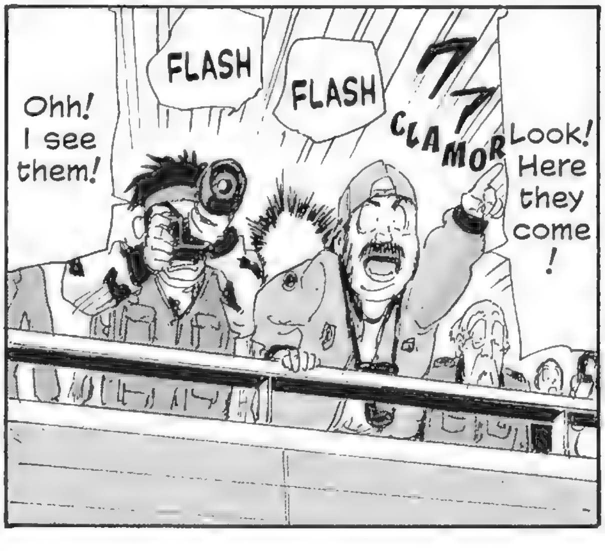

We're gonna join your fight!
CLASP
We'll help you protect Aoi!
オー HO!
エイ YEAH!
...
エイ YEAH!
SECRETARY OUGAI ...
THE THREE PROFESSORS REPORT THAT THEY HAVE LOST AOI FUKASAKU.
...I had a feeling.
SIGH
The path Japan must take shan't be easy.

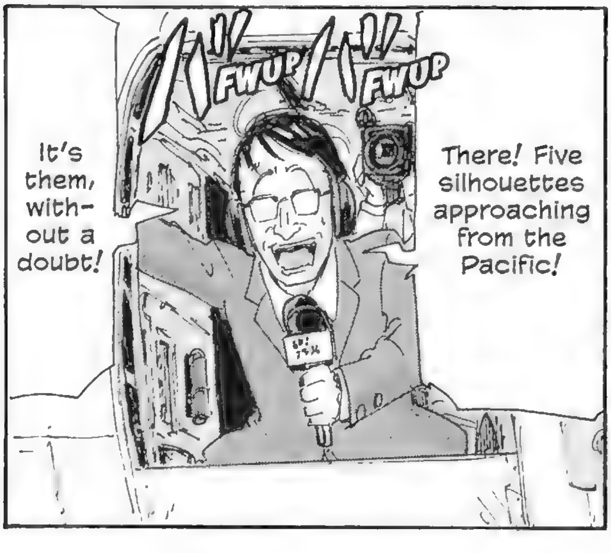

RRMM
CREAK
WHAT ABOUT THE PLAN?
WHAT ARE OUR ORDERS, SIR?
Aoi Fukasaku is still alive.
OCTOBER 15, 9:15 AM, 29 DAYS UNTIL THE BOMBING
RRMM
The "Black Wings" have arrived.
Proceed with the bombing of Tokyo as planned.
RRMM

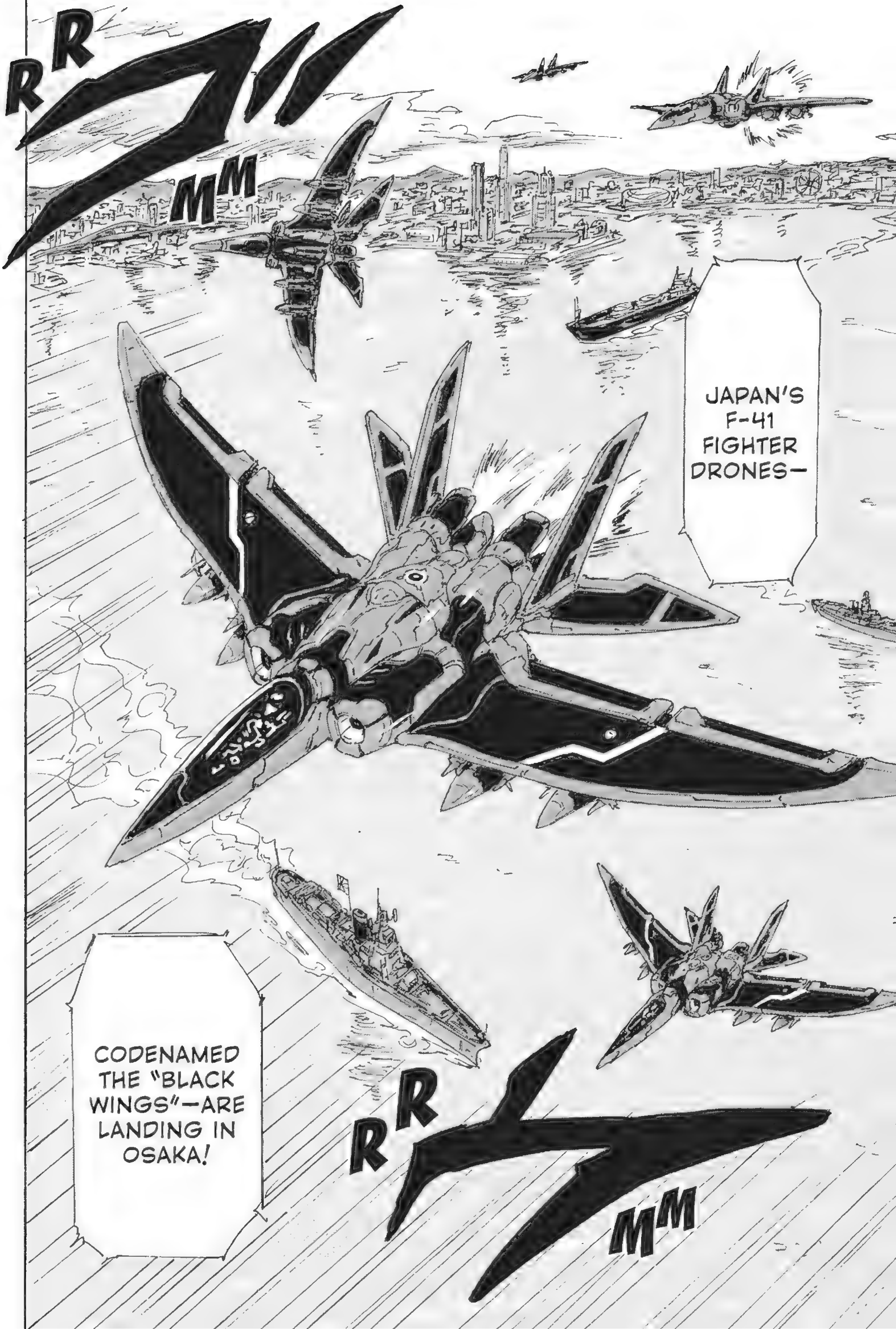
P-83 END

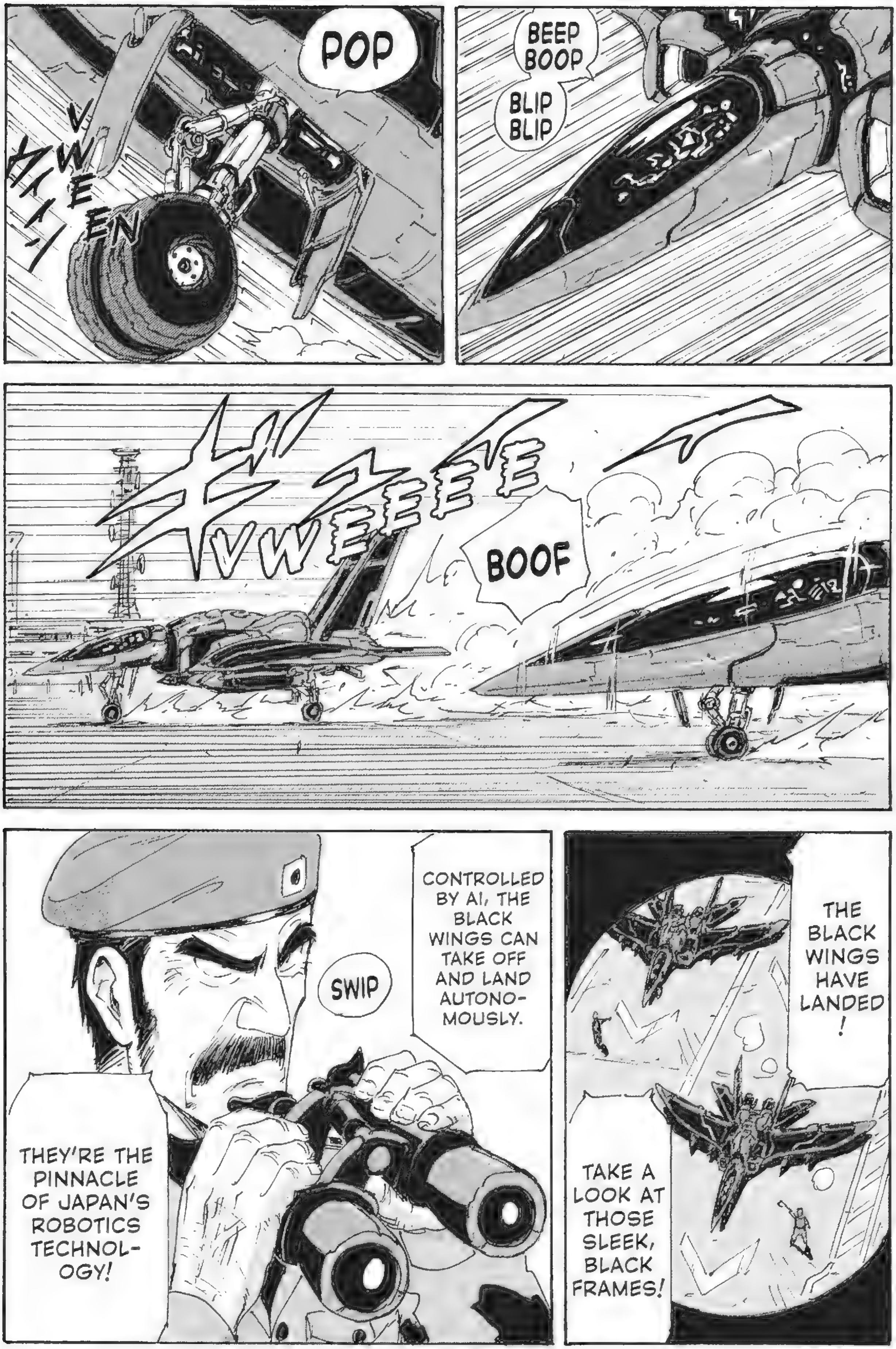

FWUP
FWUP
GOOD MORNING, JAPAN! YOU'RE WATCHING NEWS PLANET.
WE'RE BROADCASTING LIVE FROM ABOVE THE YUMESHIMA JSDF BASE IN KONOHANA, OSAKA!

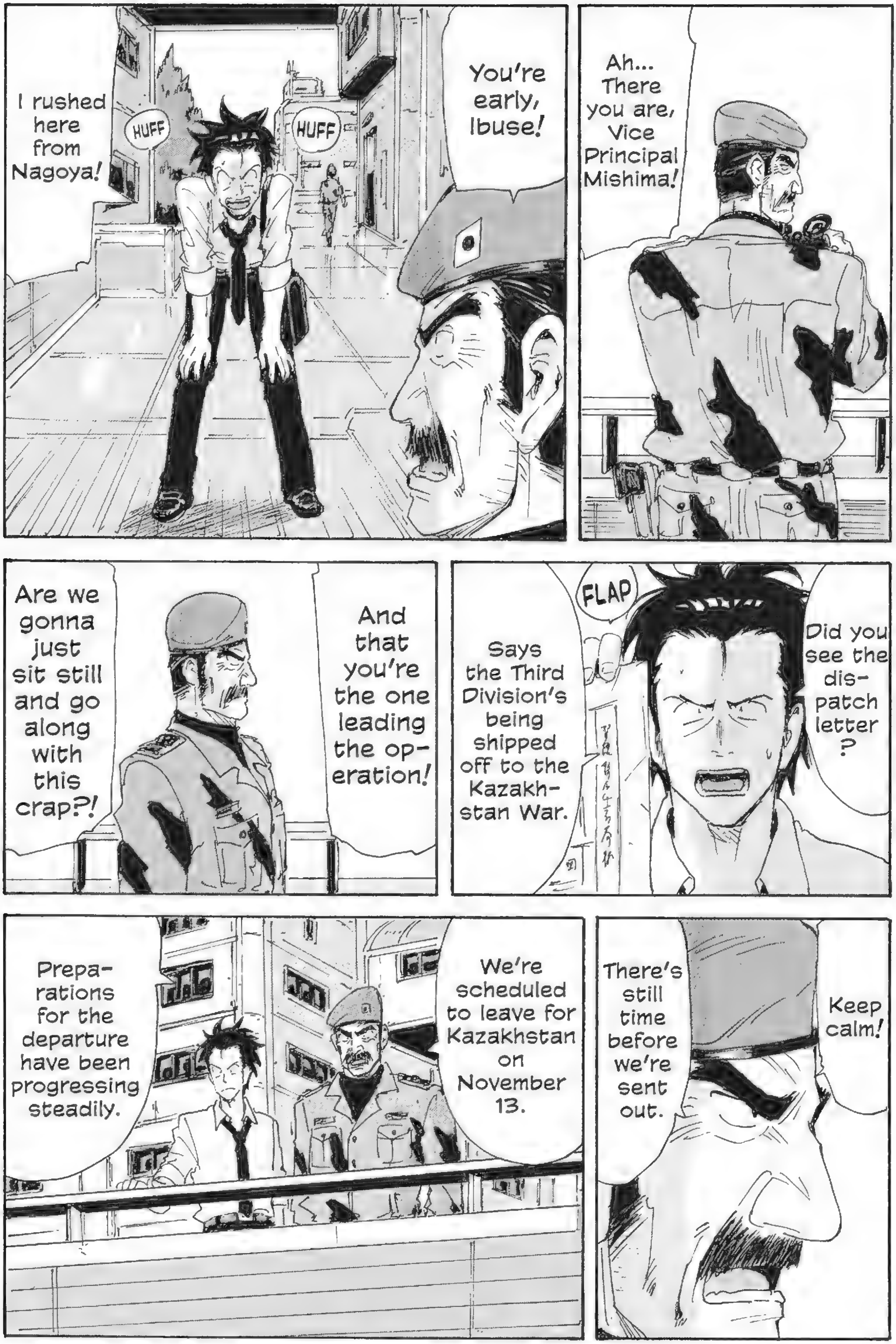
Phase.84 [Search for an Ark]

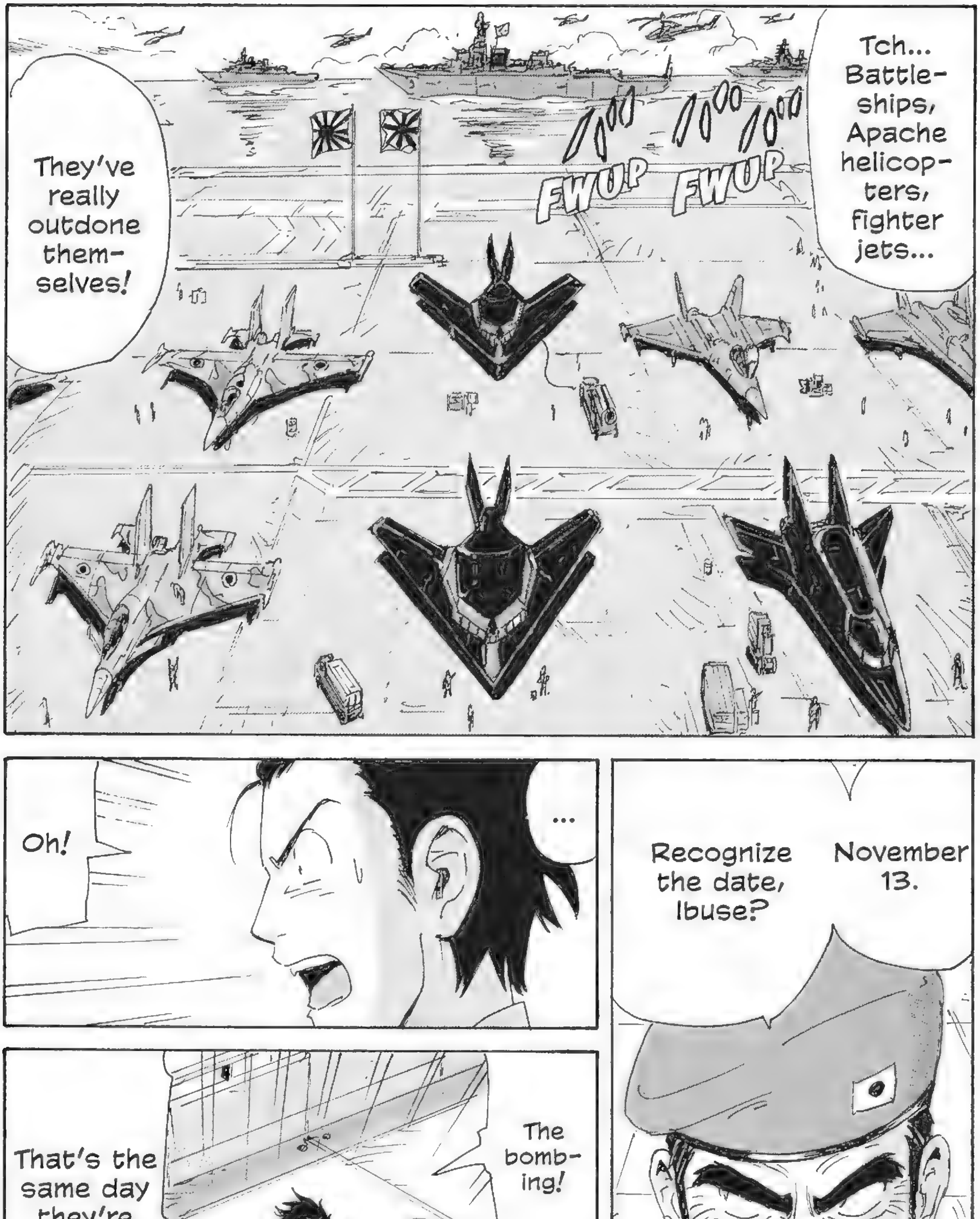

Look! Here they come!
CLAMOR
FLASH
FLASH
Ohh! I see them!

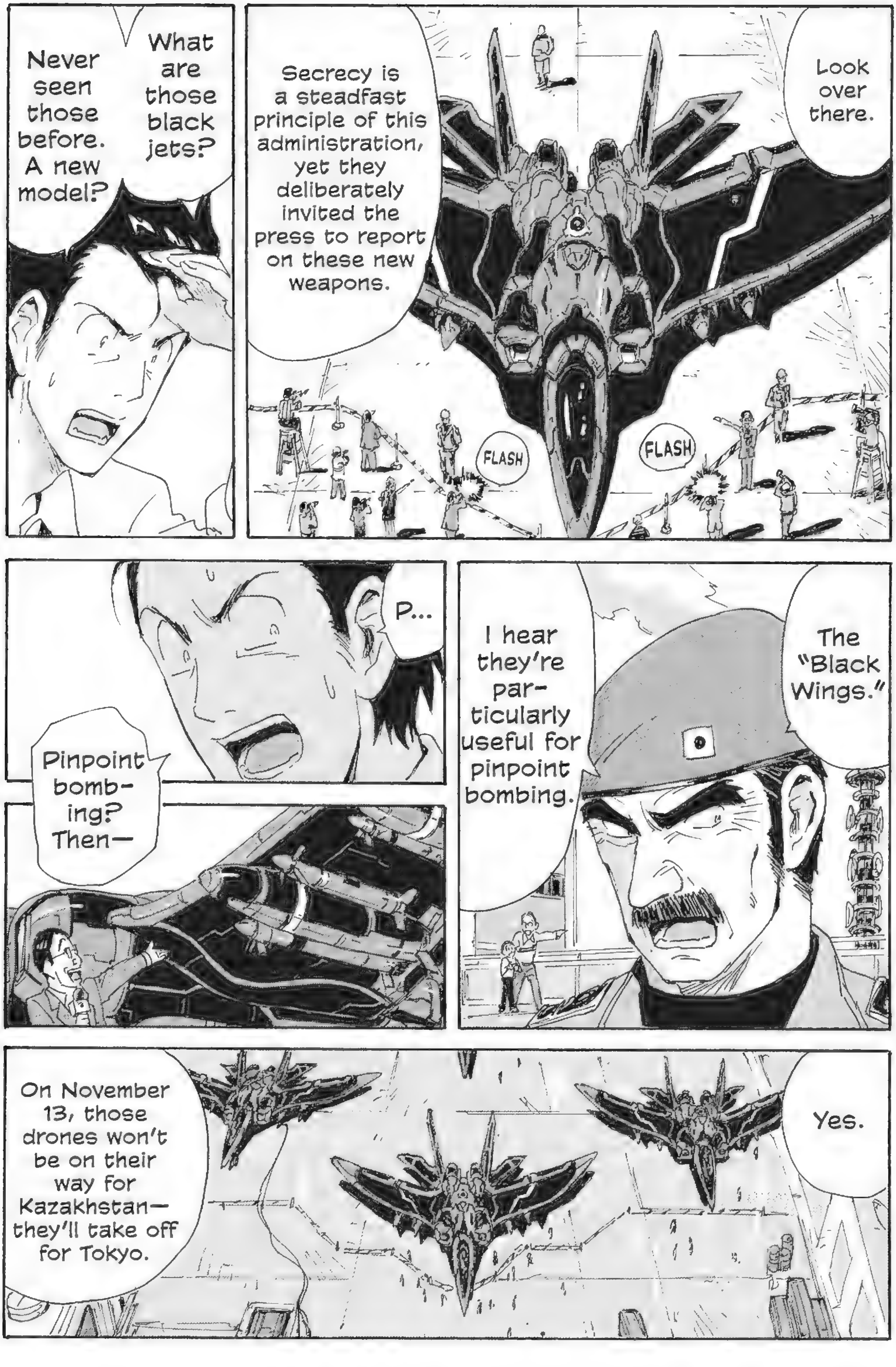

FWUP
FWUP
There! Five silhouettes approaching from the Pacific!
It's them, without a doubt!

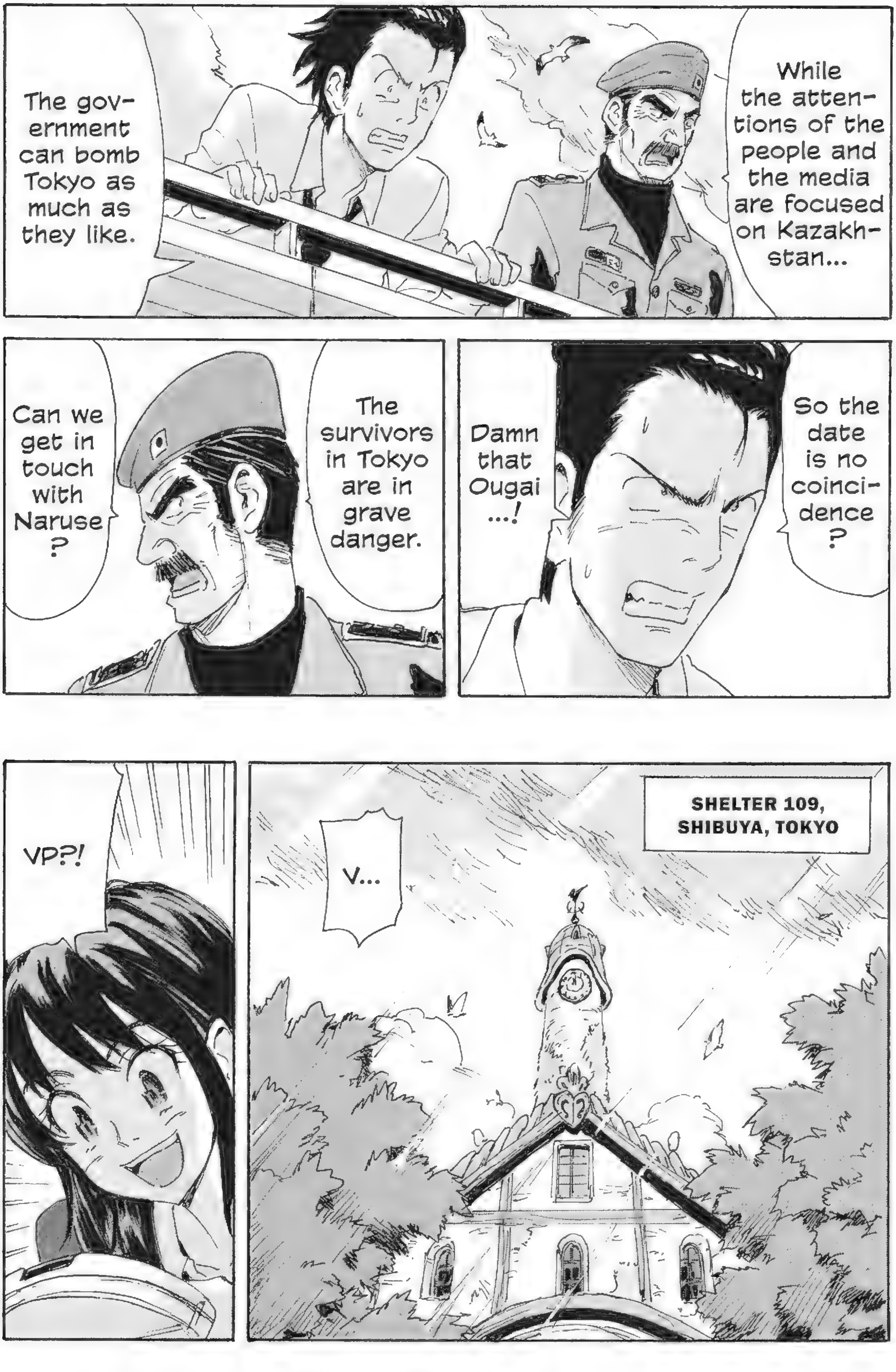

RRRMMM
JAPAN'S F-41 FIGHTER DRONES—
CODENAMED THE "BLACK WINGS"—ARE LANDING IN OSAKA!
RRRMMM

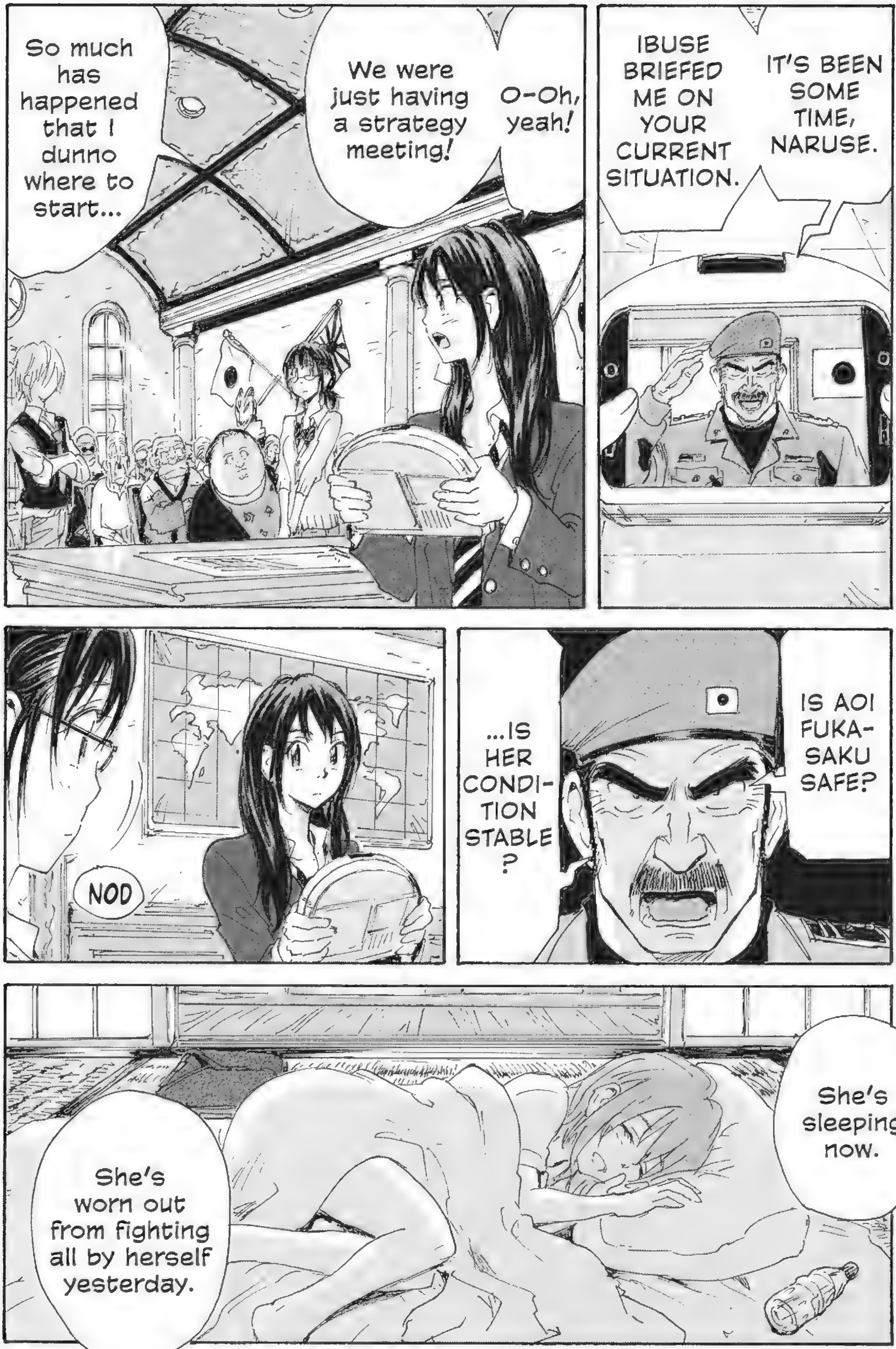

BEEP BOOP
BLIP BLIP
POP
VWEEN
VWEEEEE
BOOF
THE BLACK WINGS HAVE LANDED!
TAKE A LOOK AT THOSE SLEEK, BLACK FRAMES!
CONTROLLED BY AI, THE BLACK WINGS CAN TAKE OFF AND LAND AUTONOMOUSLY.
SWIP
THEY'RE THE PINNACLE OF JAPAN'S ROBOTICS TECHNOLOGY!

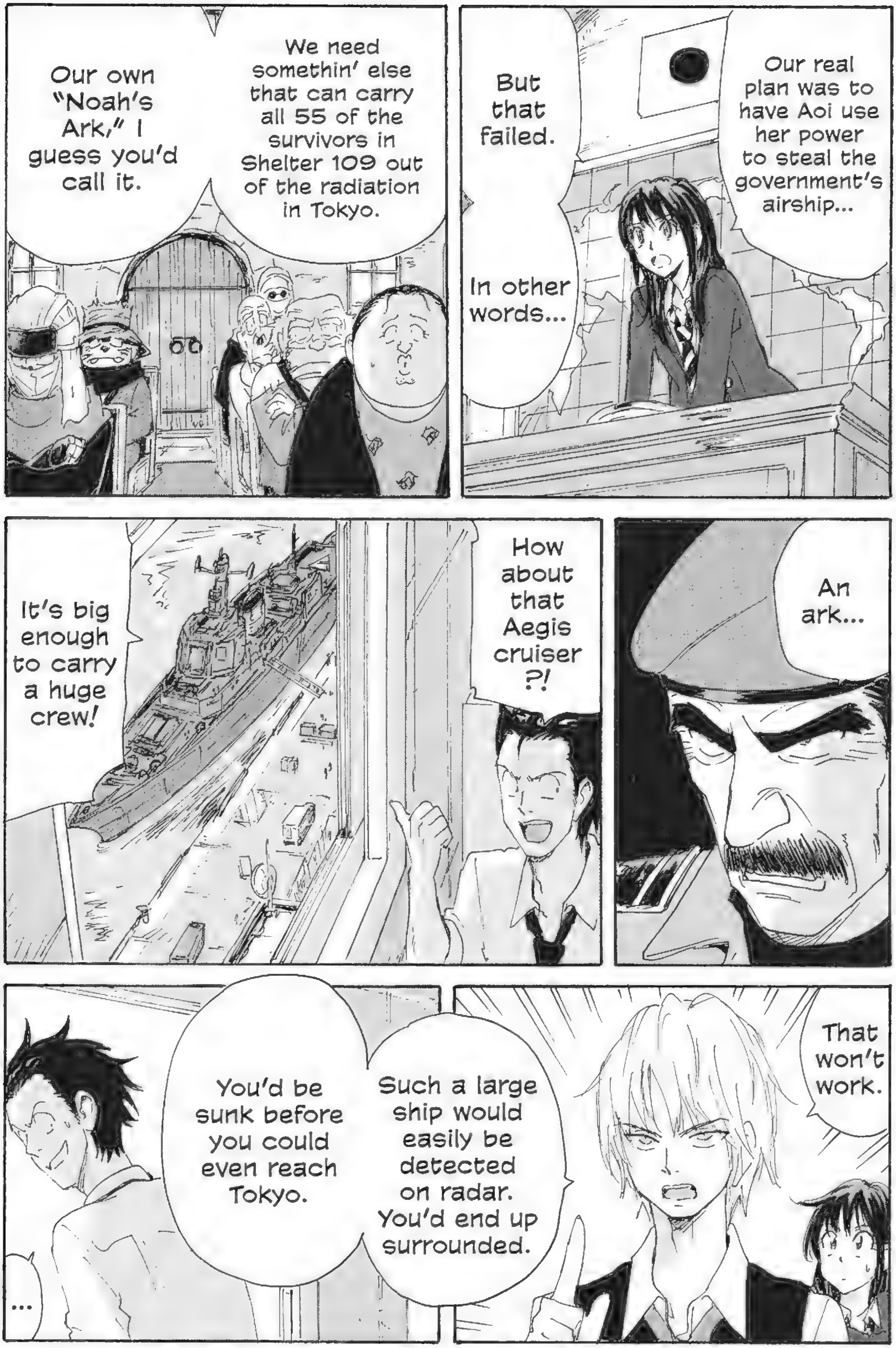

Ah... There you are, Vice Principal Mishima!
You're early, Ibuse!
HUFF
HUFF
I rushed here from Nagoya!
Did you see the dispatch letter?
FLAP
Says the Third Division's being shipped off to the Kazakhstan War.
And that you're the one leading the operation!
Are we gonna just sit still and go along with this crap?!
Keep calm!
There's still time before we're sent out.
We're scheduled to leave for Kazakhstan on November 13.
Preparations for the departure have been progressing steadily.

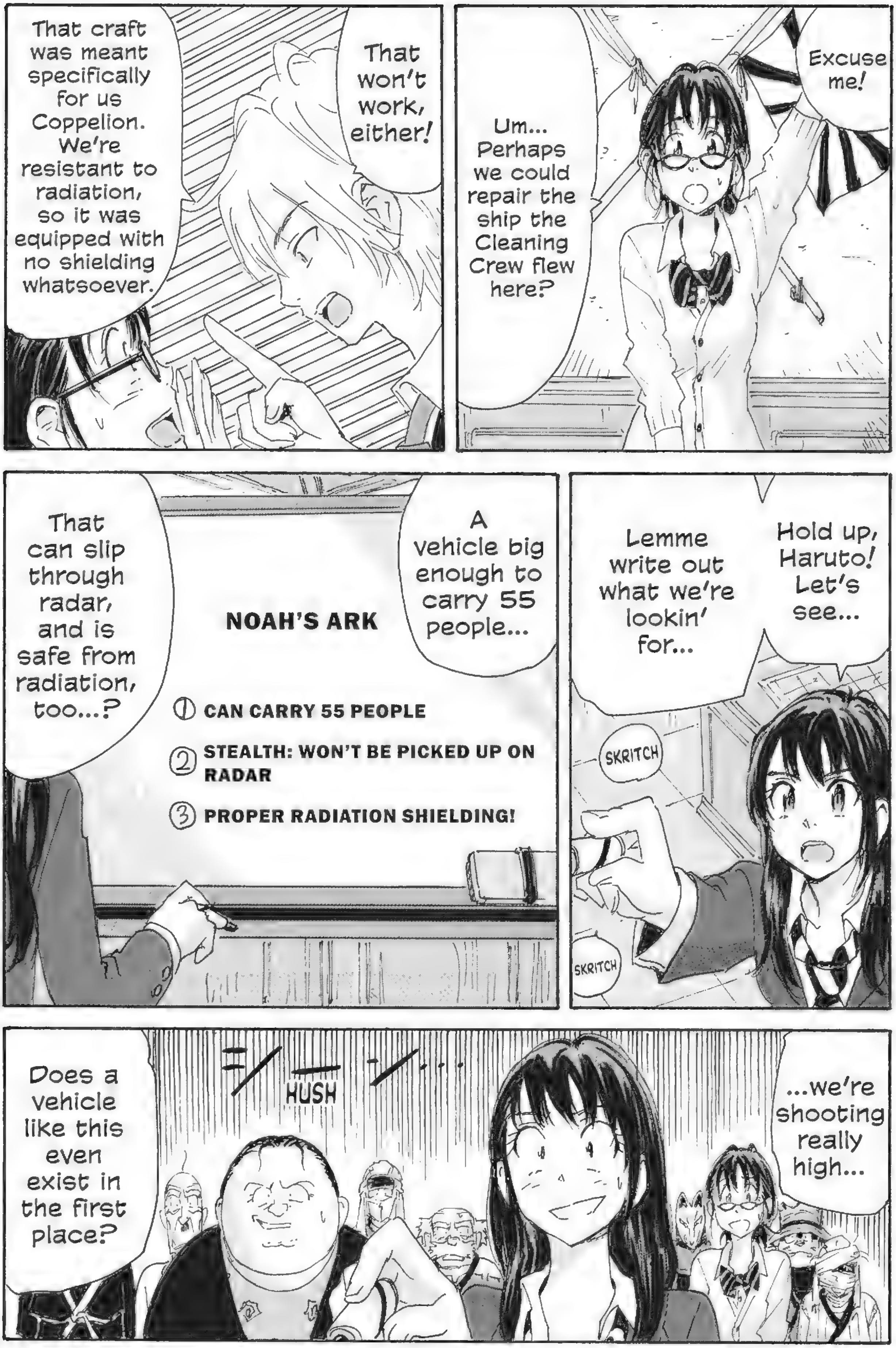

Tch... Battleships, Apache helicopters, fighter jets...
FWUP FWUP
They've really outdone themselves!
November 13.
Recognize the date, Ibuse?
...
Oh!
The bombing!
That's the same day they're bombing Tokyo! But why?

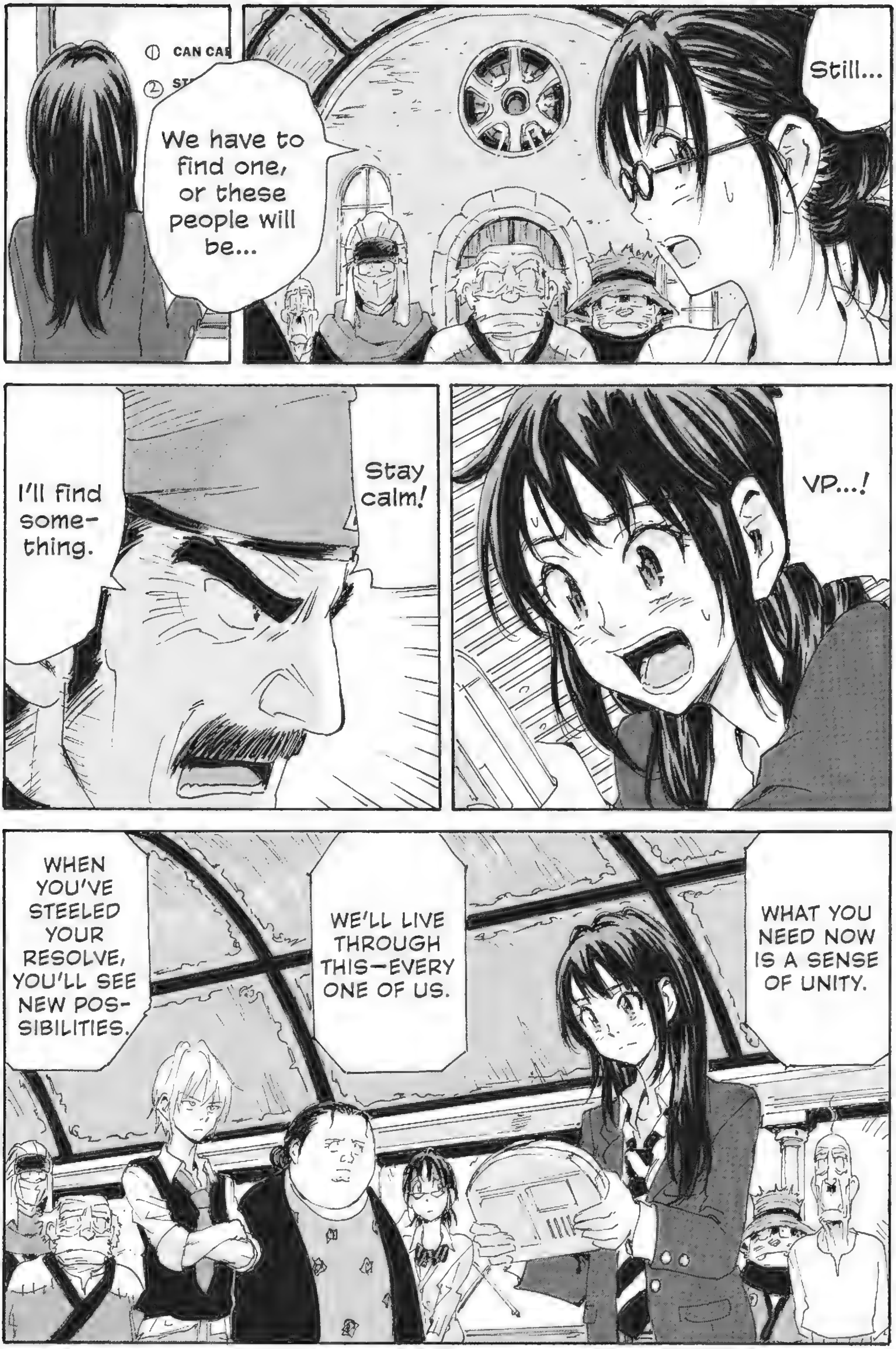

Look over there.
Secrecy is a steadfast principle of this administration, yet they deliberately invited the press to report on these new weapons.
FLASH
FLASH
What are those black jets?
Never seen those before. A new model?
The "Black Wings."
I hear they're particularly useful for pinpoint bombing.
P...
Pinpoint bombing? Then—
Yes.
On November 13, those drones won't be on their way for Kazakhstan—they'll take off for Tokyo.

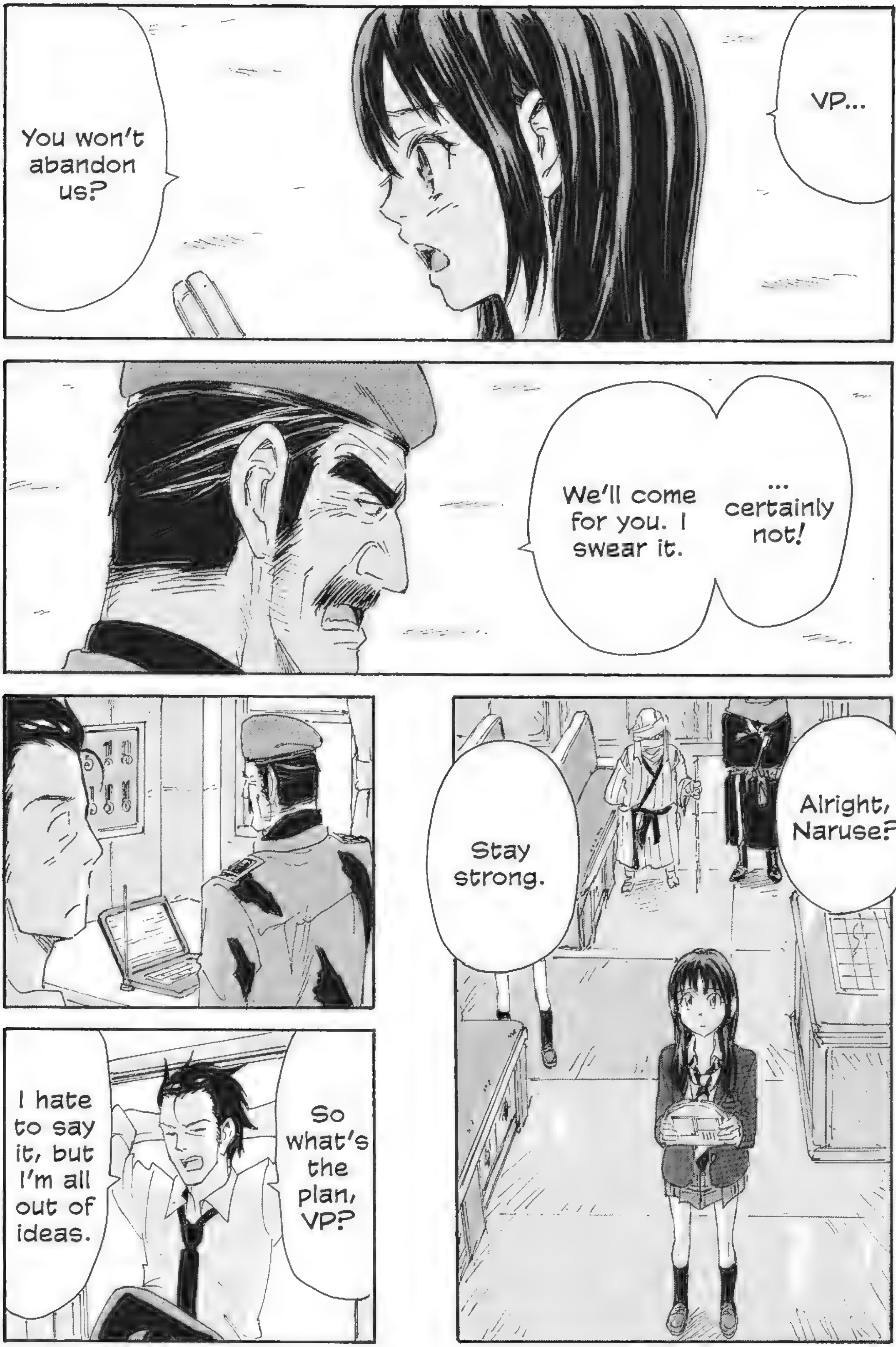

While the attentions of the people and the media are focused on Kazakhstan...
The government can bomb Tokyo as much as they like.
So the date is no coincidence?
Damn that Ougai...!
The survivors in Tokyo are in grave danger.
Can we get in touch with Naruse?
SHELTER 109, SHIBUYA, TOKYO
V...
VP?!

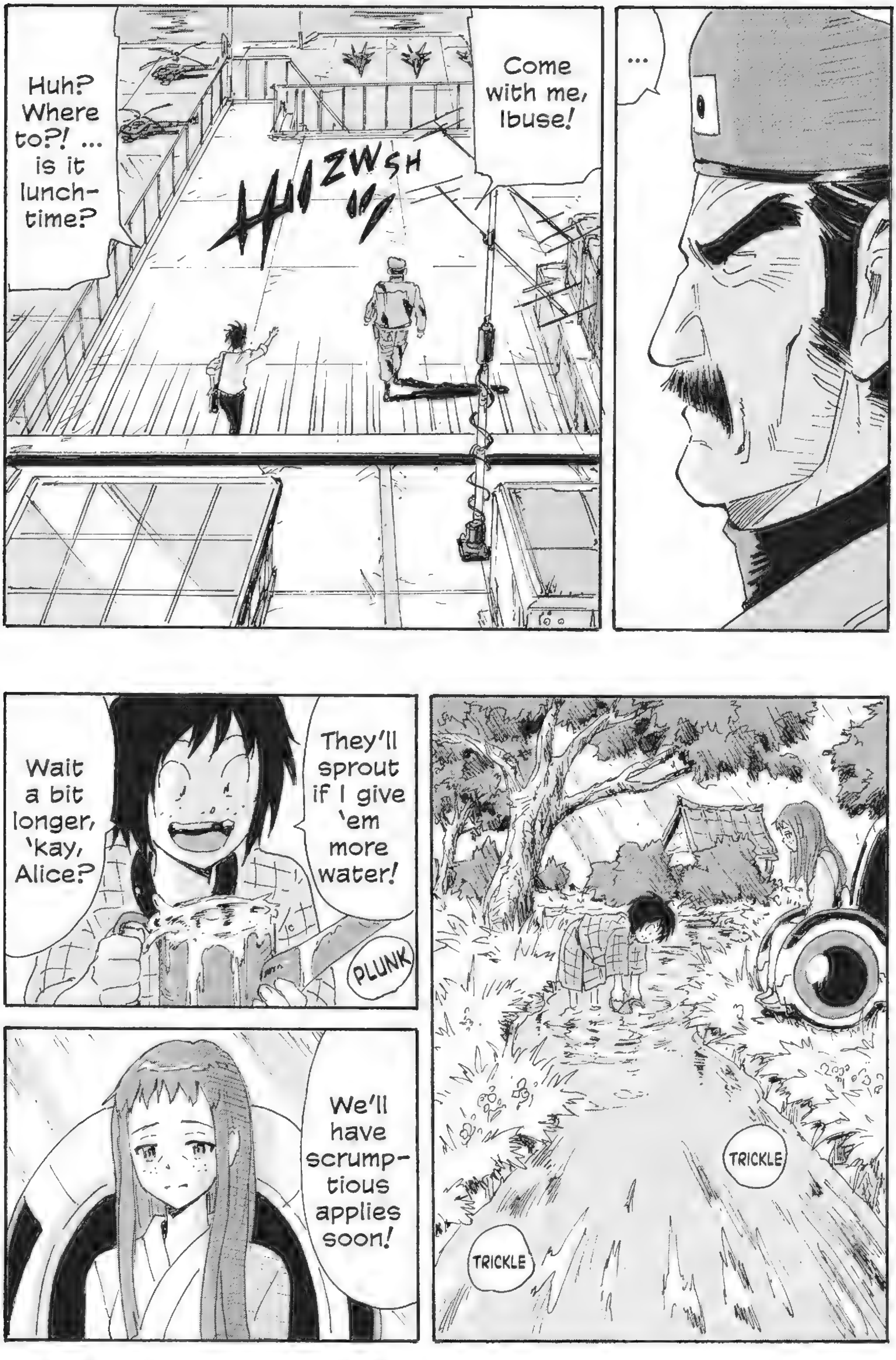

IT'S BEEN SOME TIME, NARUSE.
IBUSE BRIEFED ME ON YOUR CURRENT SITUATION.
O-Oh, yeah!
We were just having a strategy meeting!
So much has happened that I dunno where to start...
IS AOI FUKASAKU SAFE?
...IS HER CONDITION STABLE?
NOD
She's sleeping now.
She's worn out from fighting all by herself yesterday.

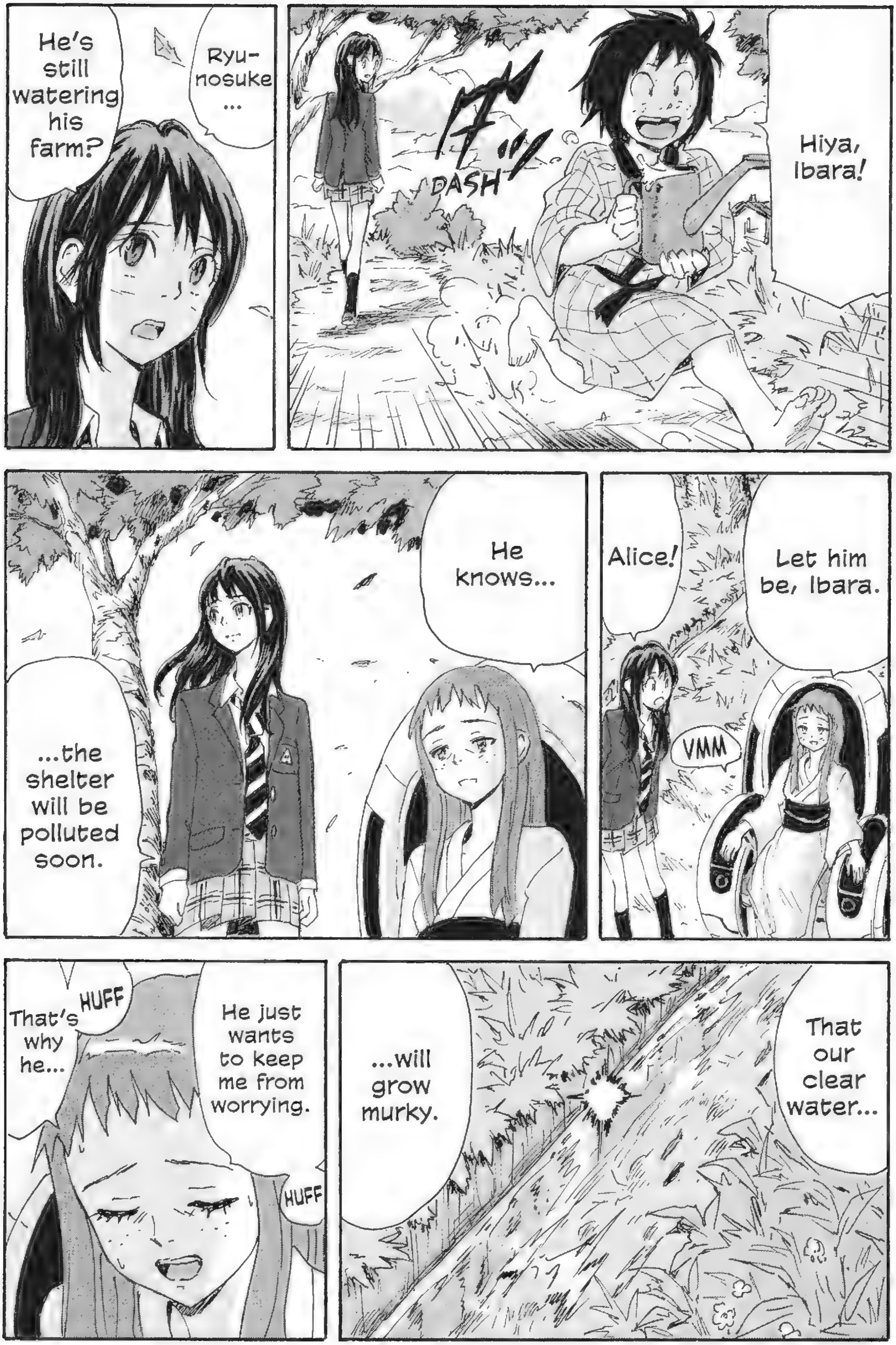

Our real plan was to have Aoi use her power to steal the government's airship...
But that failed.
In other words...
We need somethin' else that can carry all 55 of the survivors in Shelter 109 out of the radiation in Tokyo.
Our own "Noah's Ark," I guess you'd call it.
An ark...
How about that Aegis cruiser?!
It's big enough to carry a huge crew!
That won't work.
Such a large ship would easily be detected on radar. You'd end up surrounded.
You'd be sunk before you could even reach Tokyo.
...

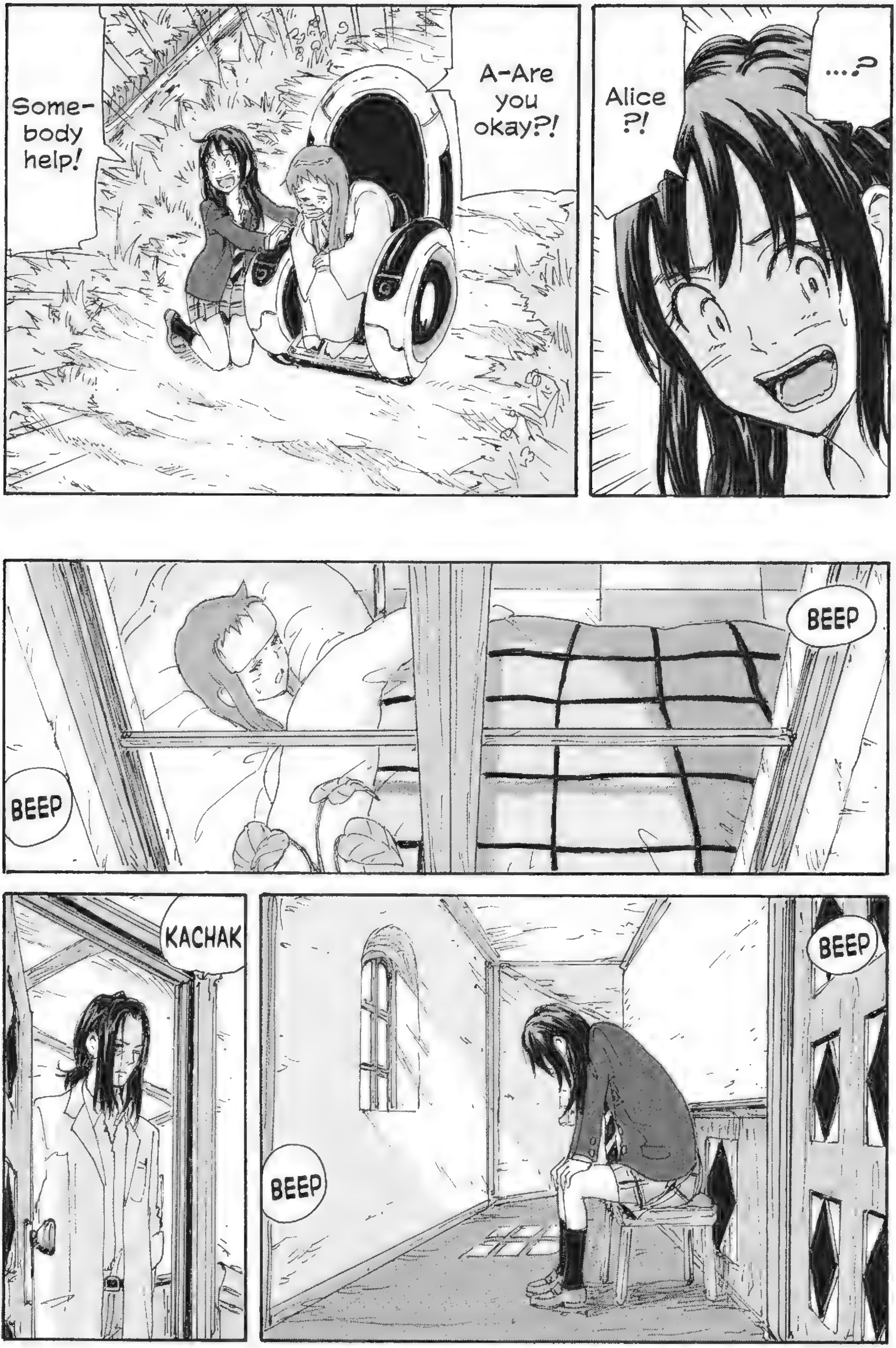

Excuse me!
Um... Perhaps we could repair the ship the Cleaning Crew flew here?
That won't work, either!
That craft was meant specifically for us Coppelion. We're resistant to radiation, so it was equipped with no shielding whatsoever.
Hold up, Haruto! Let's see...
Lemme write out what we're lookin' for...
SKRITCH
SKRITCH
A vehicle big enough to carry 55 people...
NOAH'S ARK
① CAN CARRY 55 PEOPLE
② STEALTH: WON'T BE PICKED UP ON RADAR
③ PROPER RADIATION SHIELDING!
That can slip through radar, and is safe from radiation, too...?
...we're shooting really high...
HUSH
Does a vehicle like this even exist in the first place?

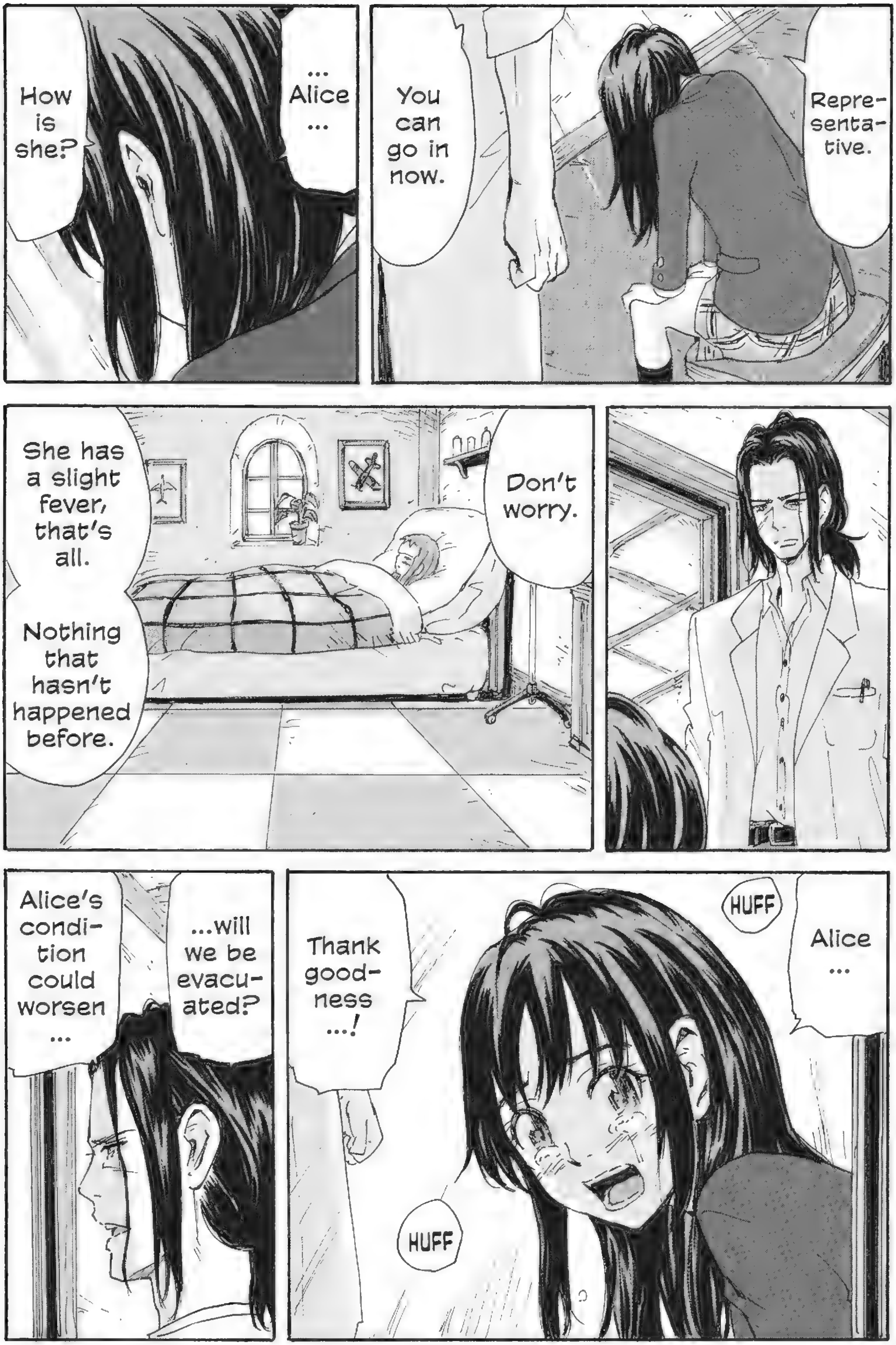

① CAN CA
② ST
Still...
We have to find one, or these people will be...
VP...!
Stay calm!
I'll find something.
WHAT YOU NEED NOW IS A SENSE OF UNITY.
WE'LL LIVE THROUGH THIS—EVERY ONE OF US.
WHEN YOU'VE STEELED YOUR RESOLVE, YOU'LL SEE NEW POSSIBILITIES.

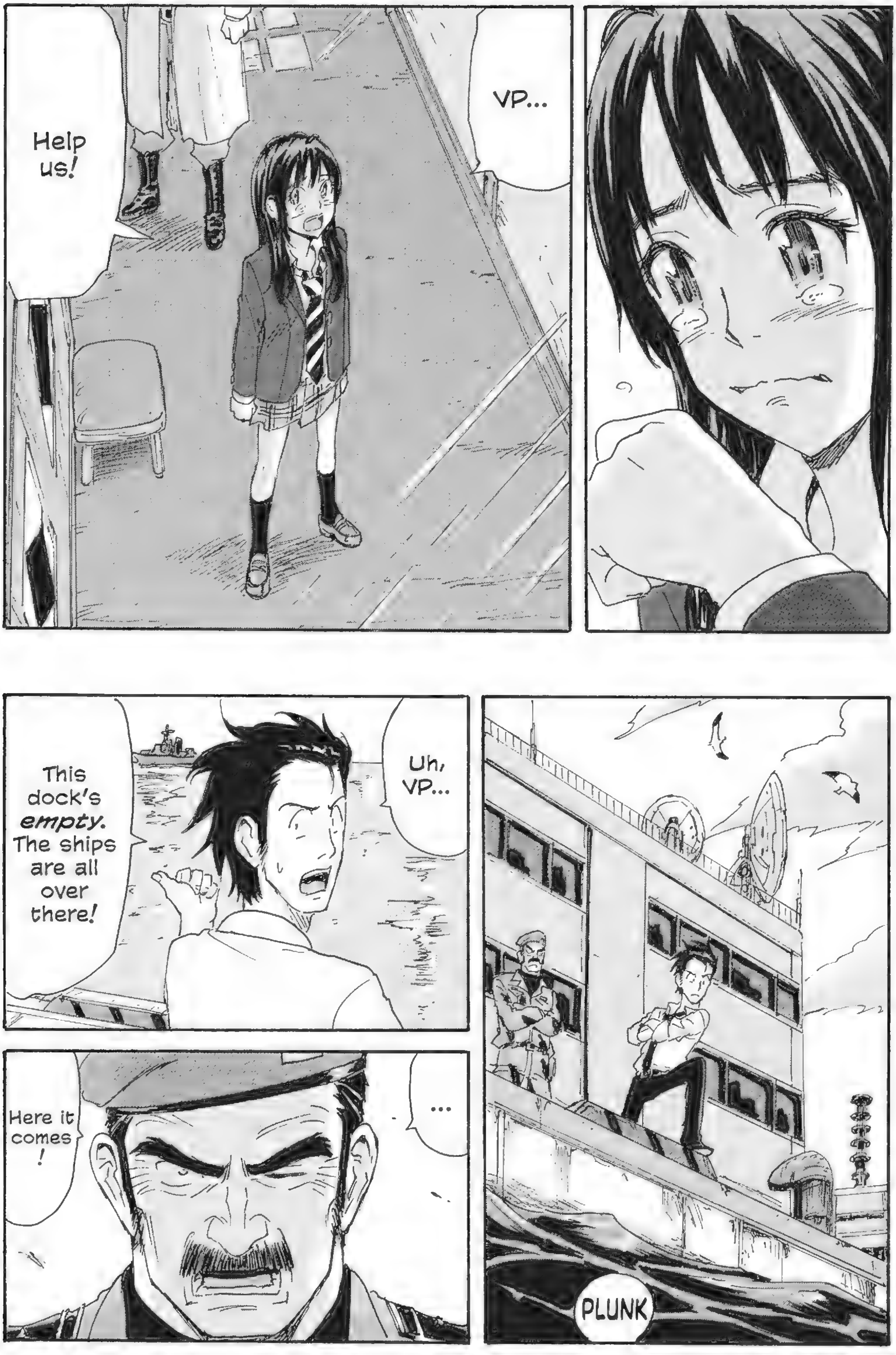

VP...
You won't abandon us?
... certainly not!
We'll come for you. I swear it.
Alright, Naruse?
Stay strong.
So what's the plan, VP?
I hate to say it, but I'm all out of ideas.

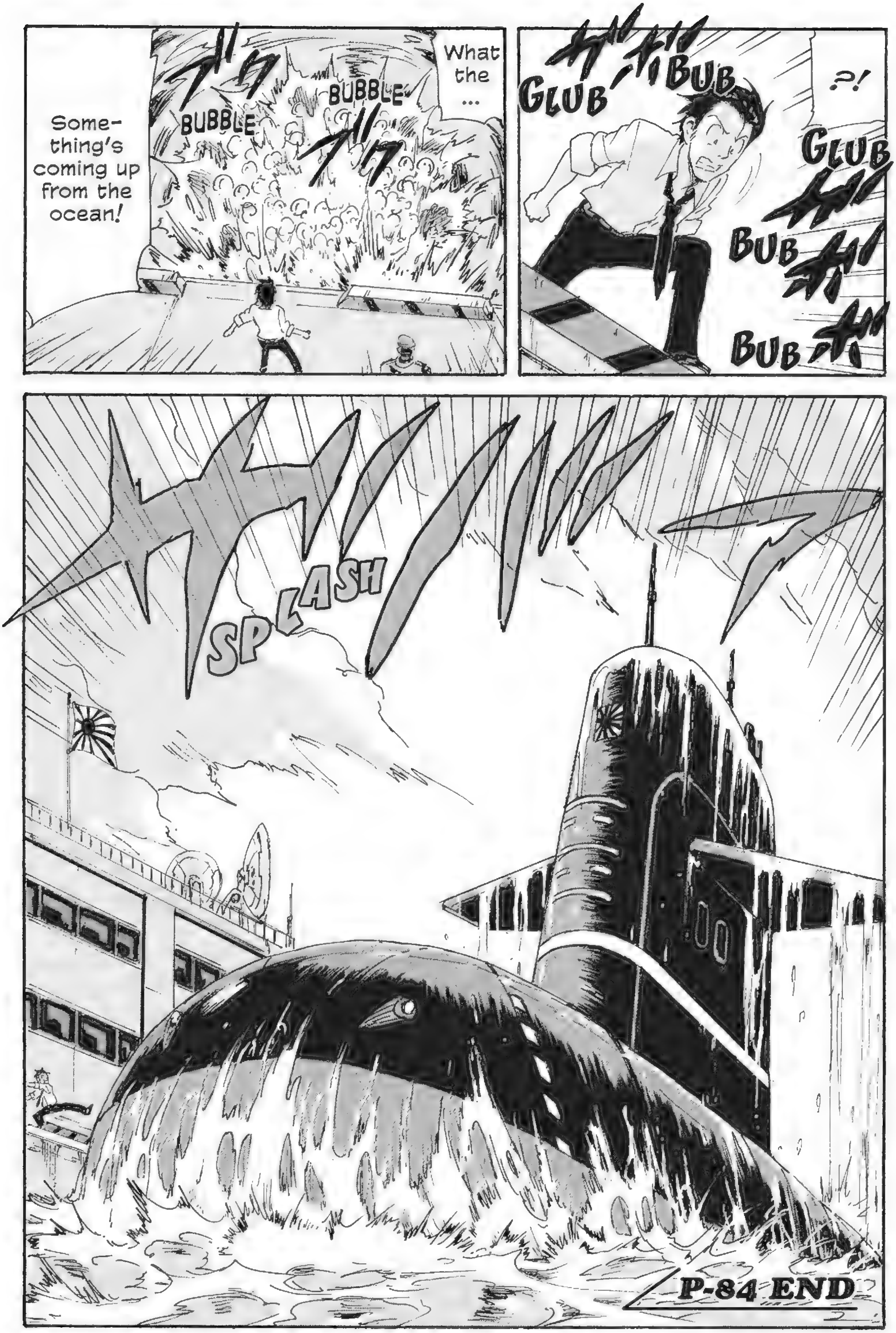

...
Come with me, Ibuse!
ZWSH
Huh? Where to?! ... is it lunch-time?
TRICKLE
TRICKLE
They'll sprout if I give 'em more water!
Wait a bit longer, 'kay, Alice?
PLUNK
We'll have scrumptious apples soon!

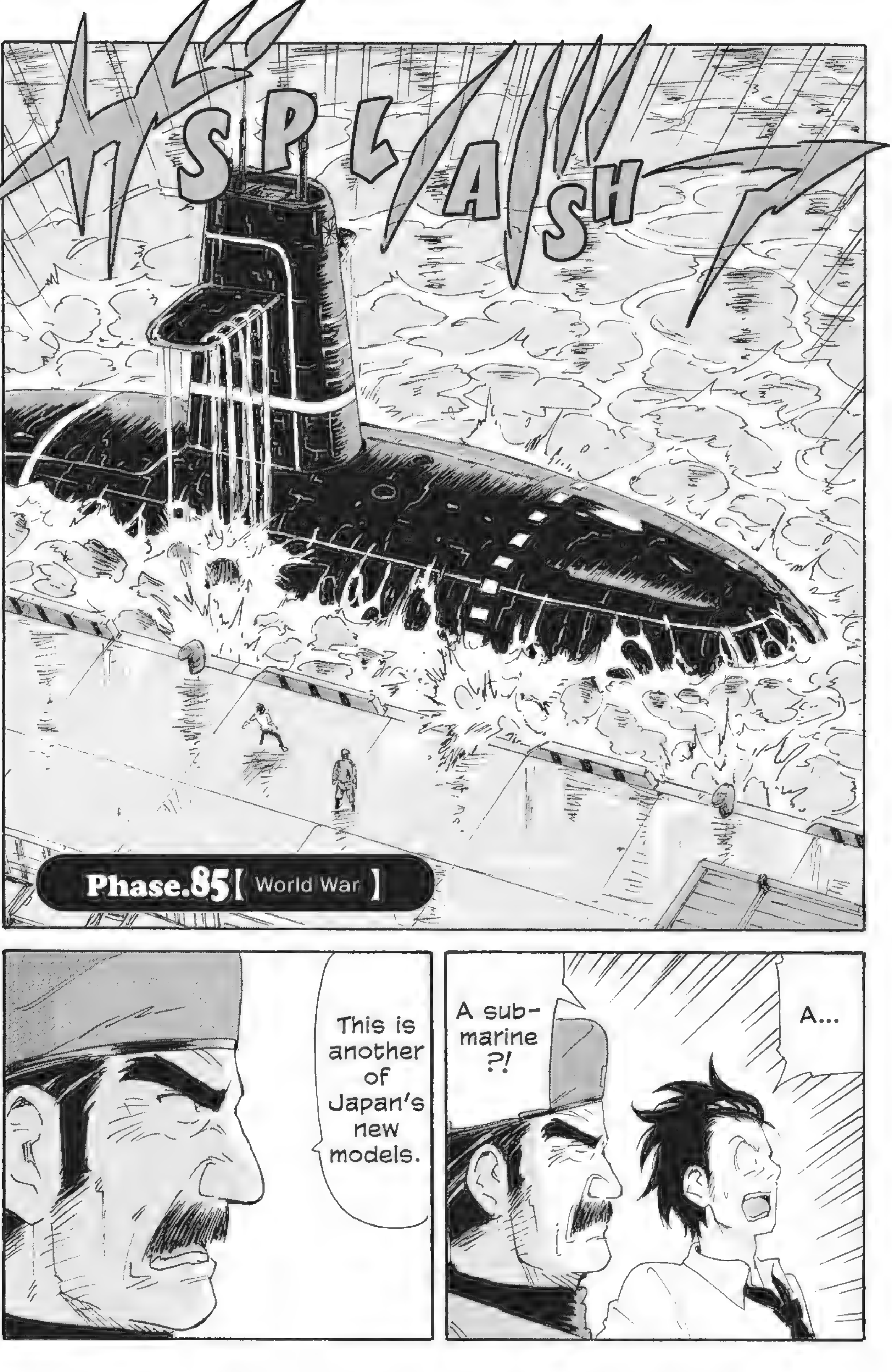

Hiya, Ibara!
DASH
Ryu-nosuke...
He's still watering his farm?
Let him be, Ibara.
Alice!
VMM
He knows...
...the shelter will be polluted soon.
That our clear water...
...will grow murky.
He just wants to keep me from worrying.
HUFF
That's why he...
HUFF


Some-body help!
A-Are you okay?!
Alice ?!
...?
BEEP
BEEP
KACHAK
BEEP
BEEP


Repre-senta-tive.
You can go in now.
...Alice...
How is she?
Don't worry.
She has a slight fever, that's all.
Nothing that hasn't happened before.
Alice...
HUFF
Thank good-ness...!
HUFF
Alice's condi-tion could worsen...
...will we be evacu-ated?

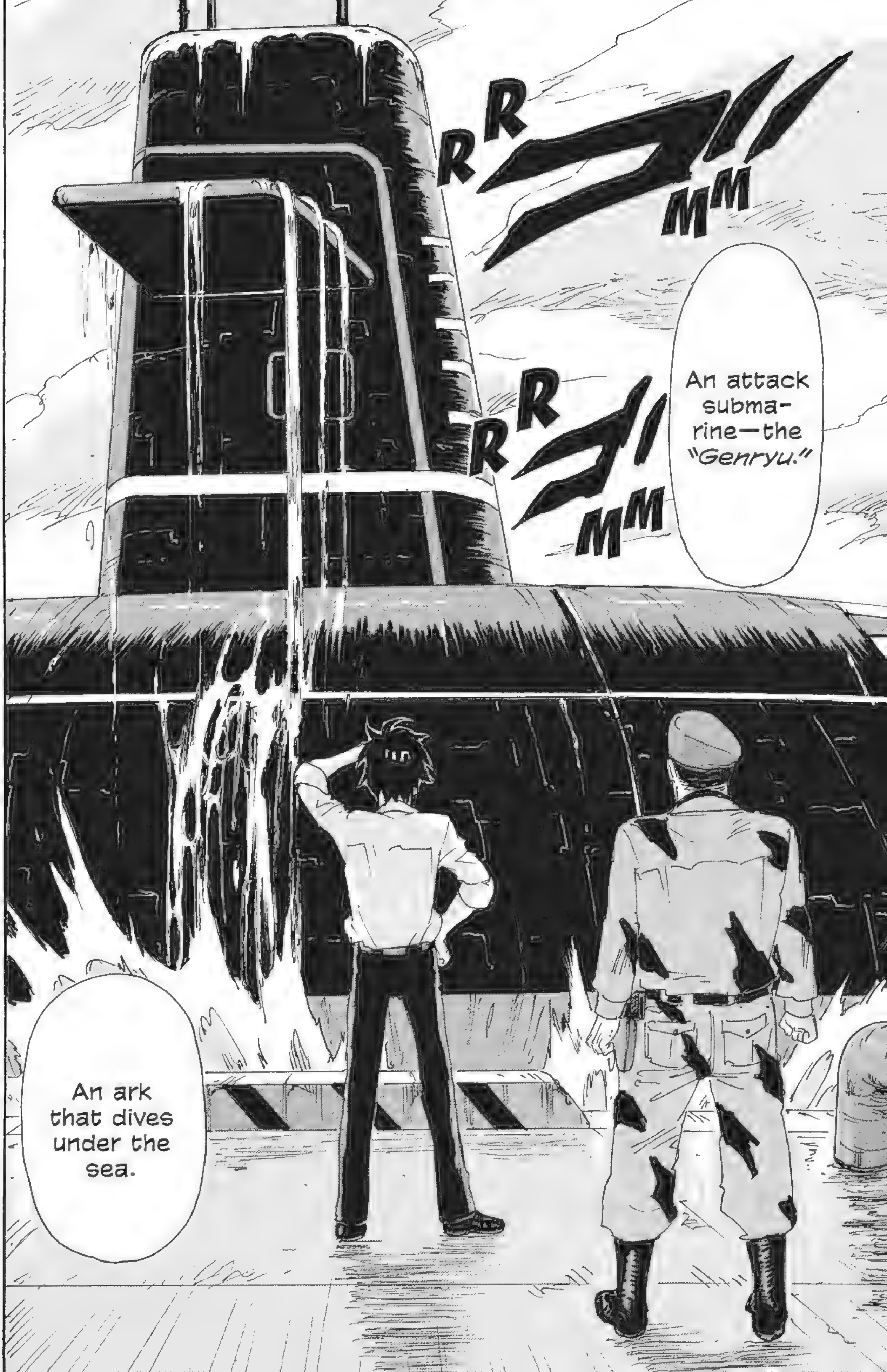

Help us!
VP...
This dock's *empty*. The ships are all over there!
Uh, VP...
Here it comes!
...
PLUNK

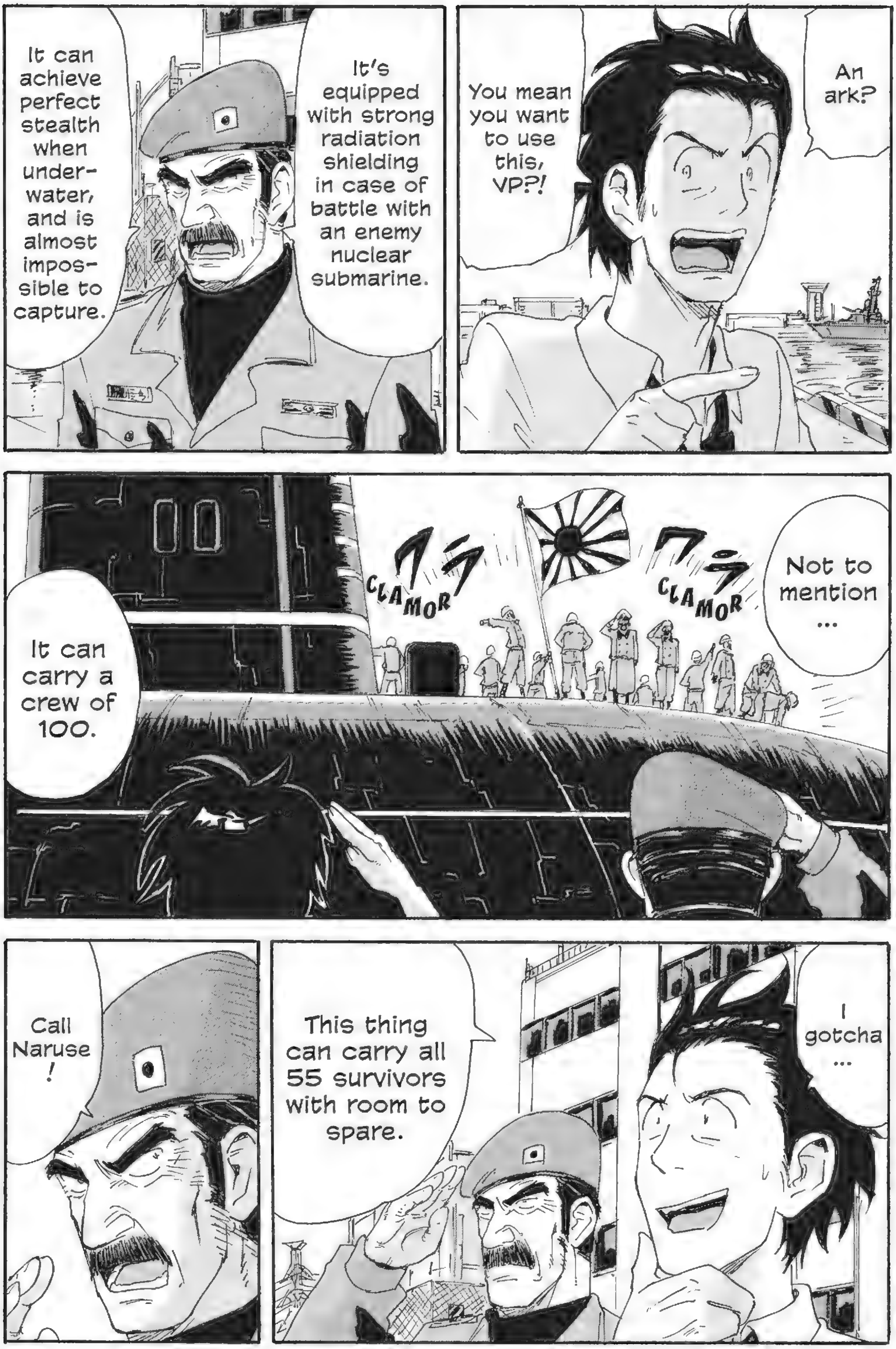

GLUB
BUB
?!
GLUB
BUB
BUB
What the ...
BUBBLE
BUBBLE
Something's coming up from the ocean!
SPLASH
P-84 END

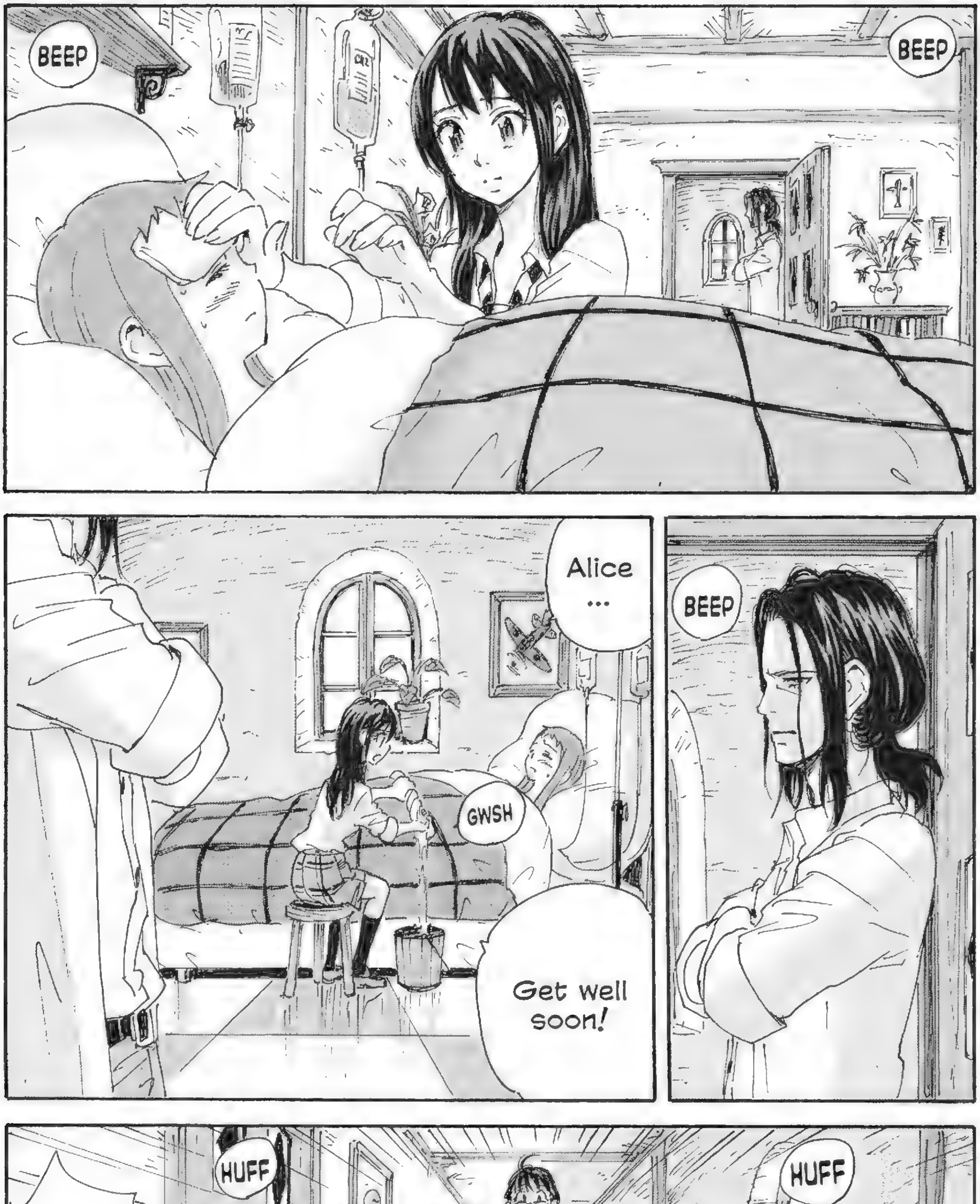


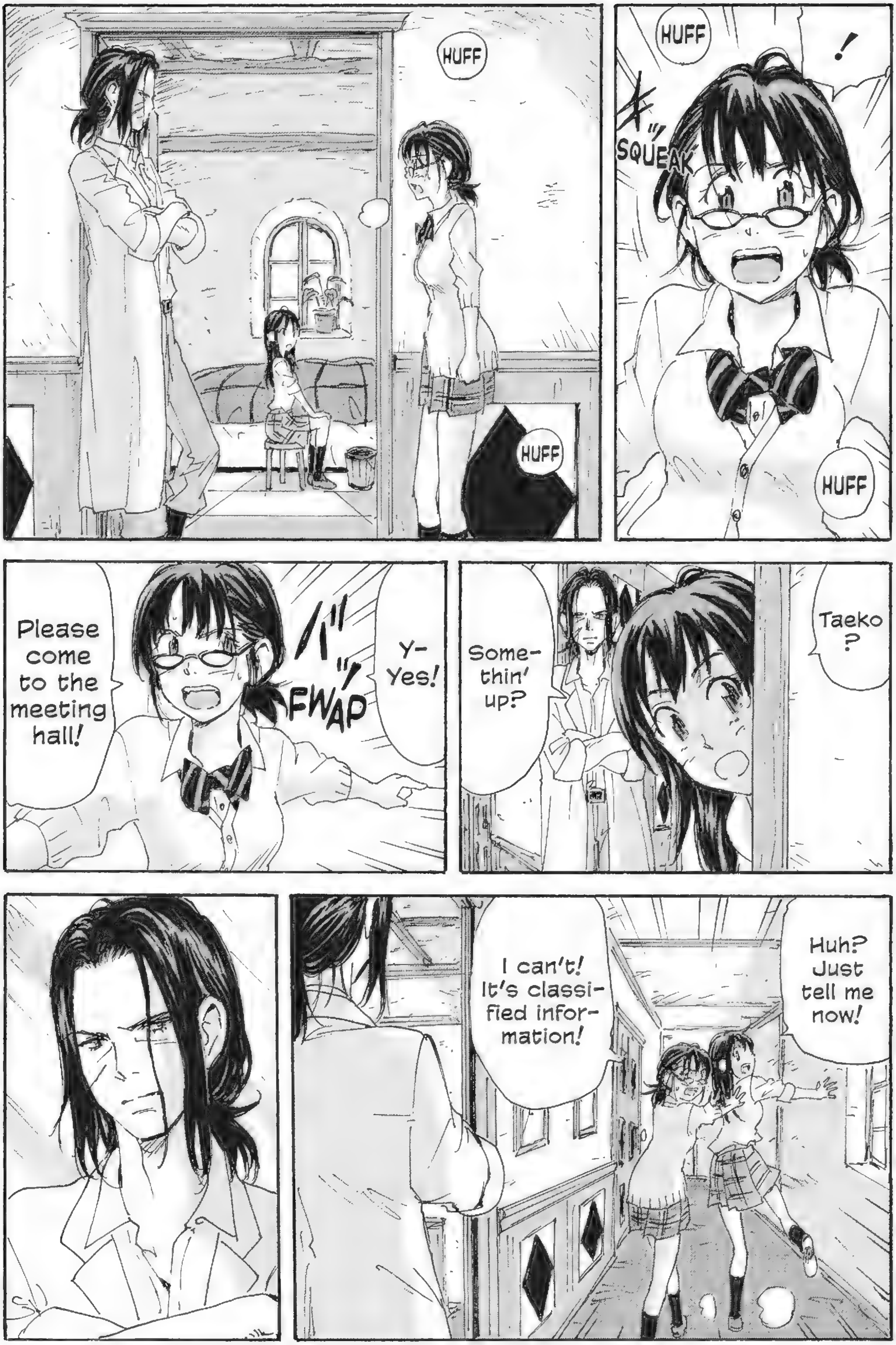
Phase.85 [World War]

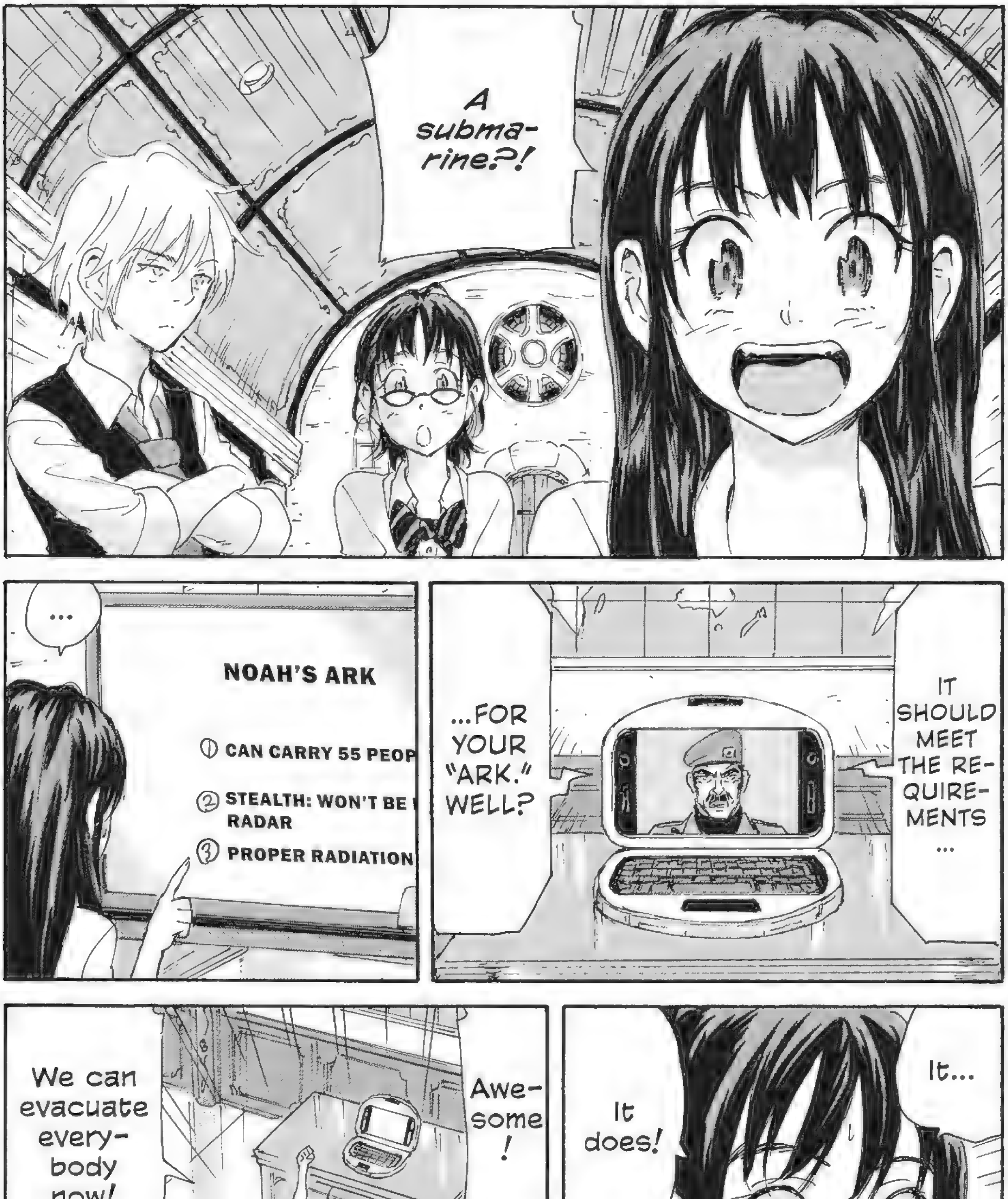
SPLASH
A...
A sub-marine?!
This is another of Japan's new models.

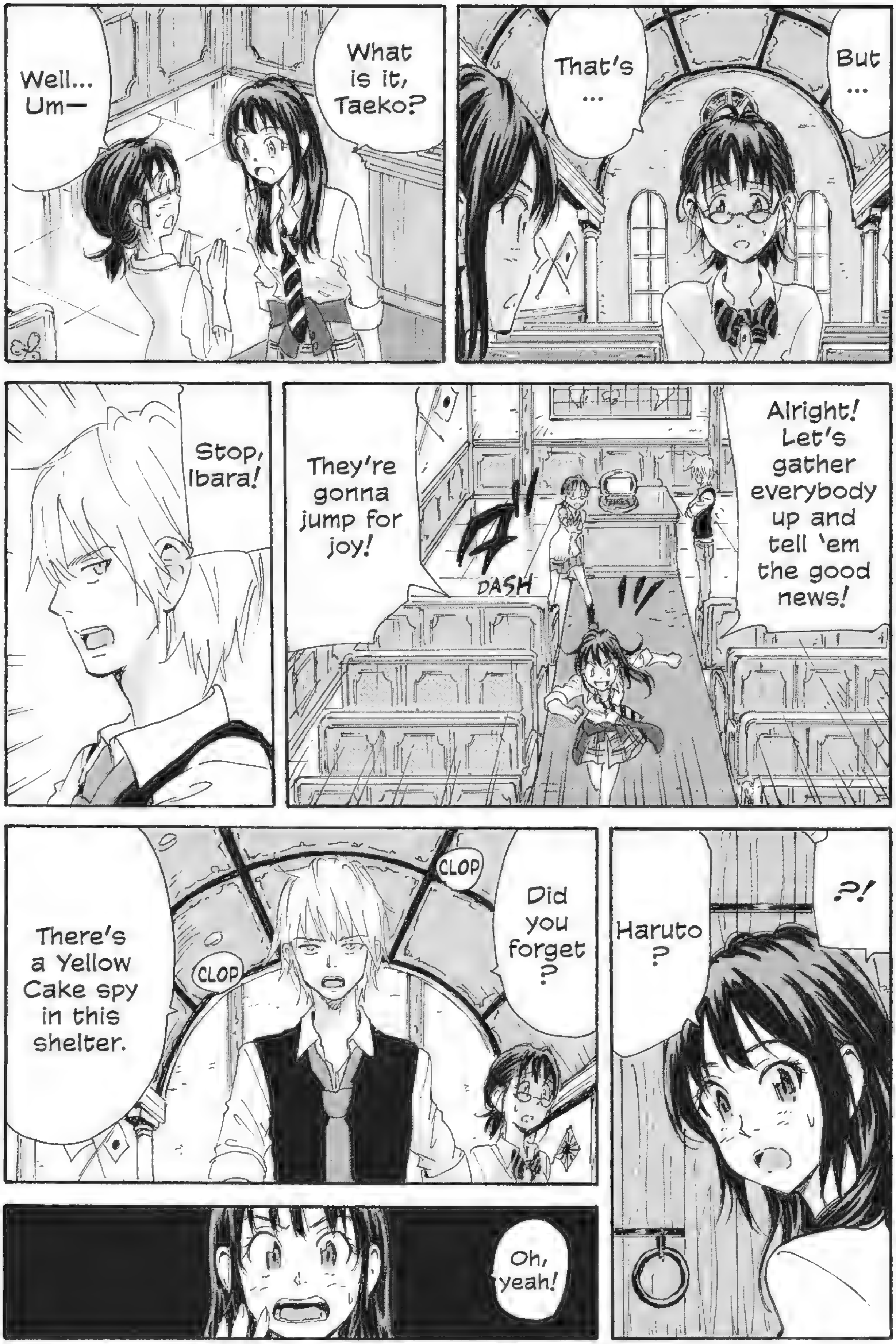

RRR
MMM
An attack submarine—the *"Genryu."*
RRR
MMM
An ark that dives under the sea.

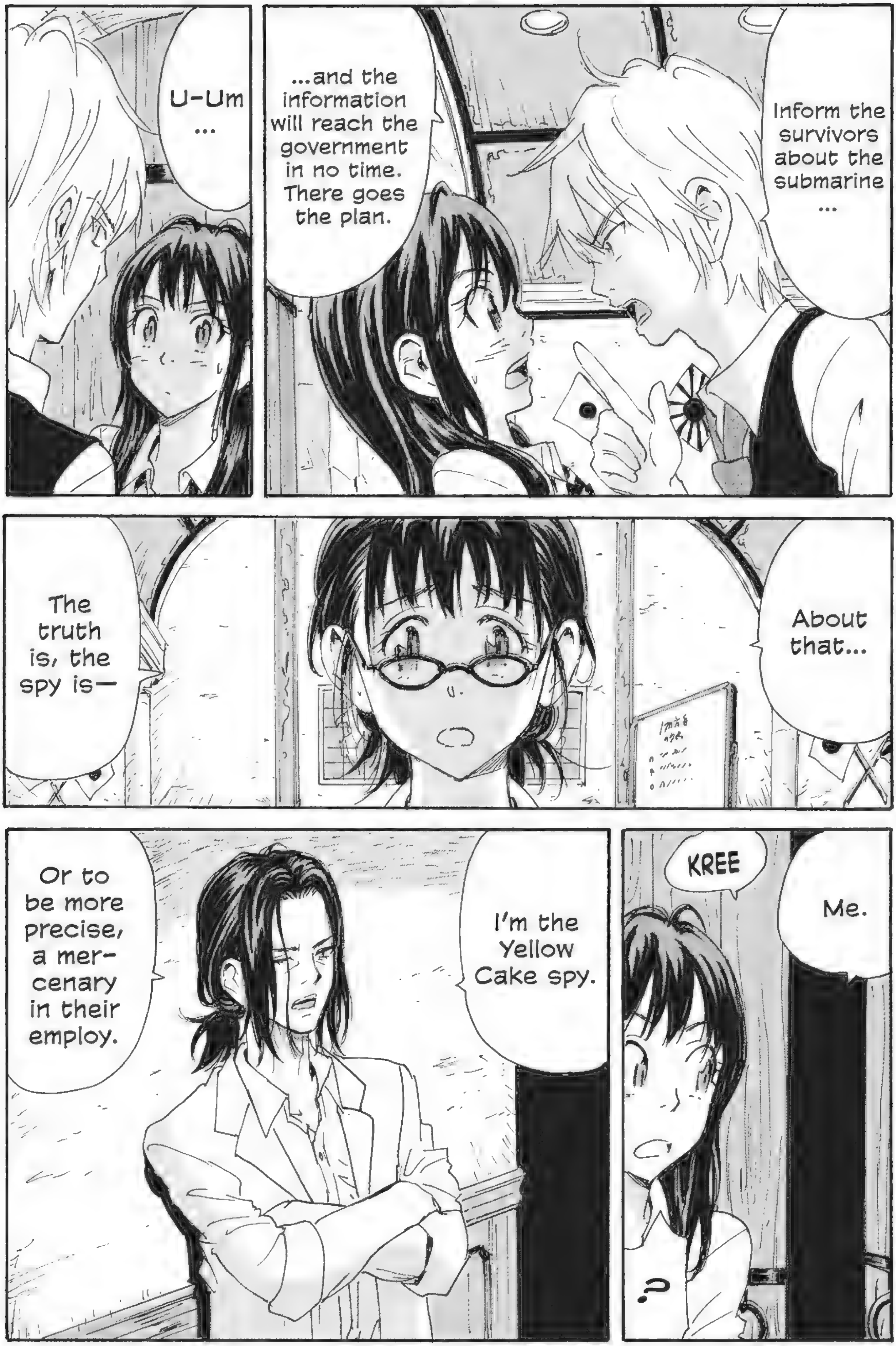

An ark?
You mean you want to use this, VP?!
It's equipped with strong radiation shielding in case of battle with an enemy nuclear submarine.
It can achieve perfect stealth when underwater, and is almost impossible to capture.
Not to mention...
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
It can carry a crew of 100.
I gotcha...
This thing can carry all 55 survivors with room to spare.
Call Naruse!

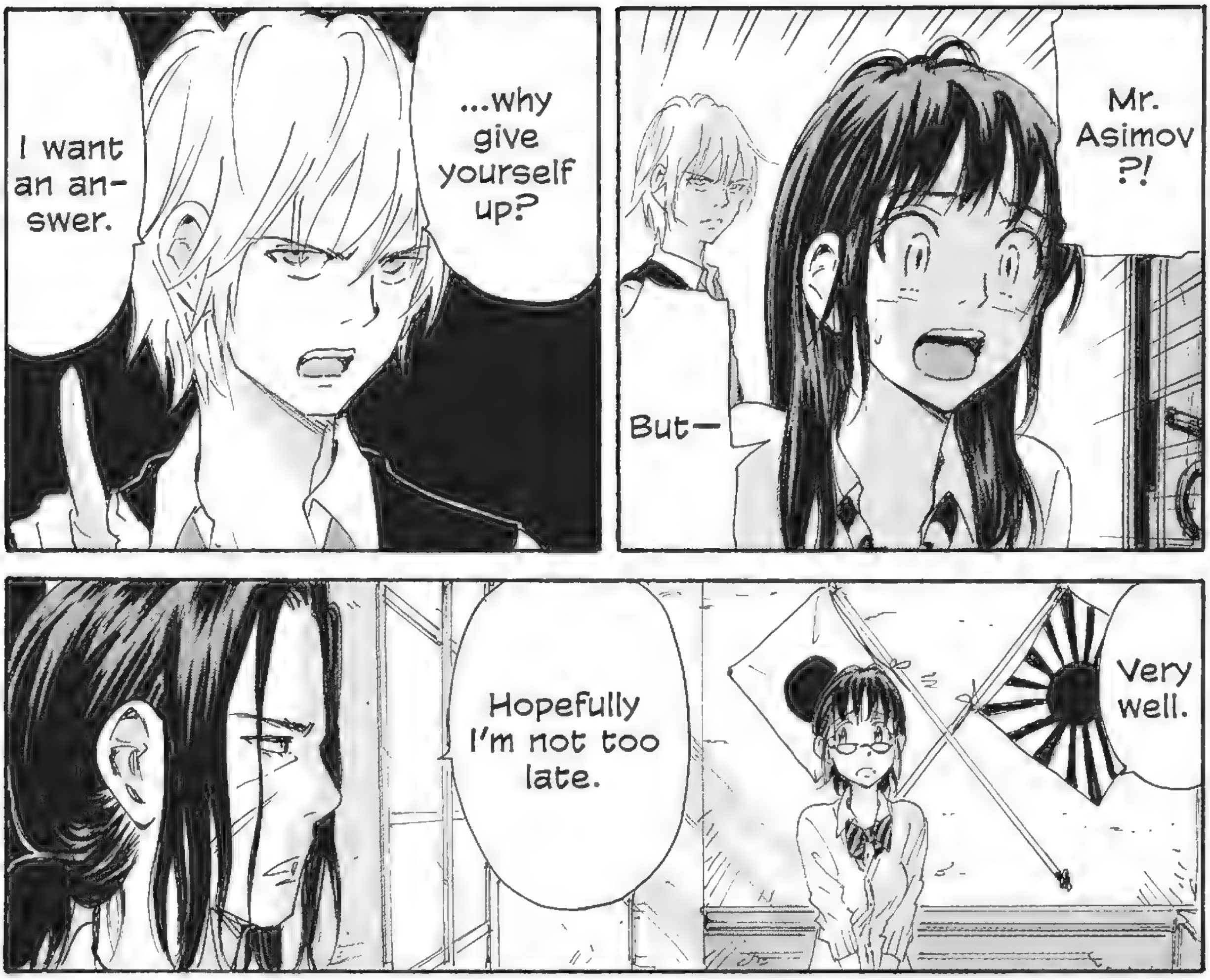

BEEP
BEEP
Alice ...
GWSH
Get well soon!
BEEP
Ibara!
HUFF
HUFF

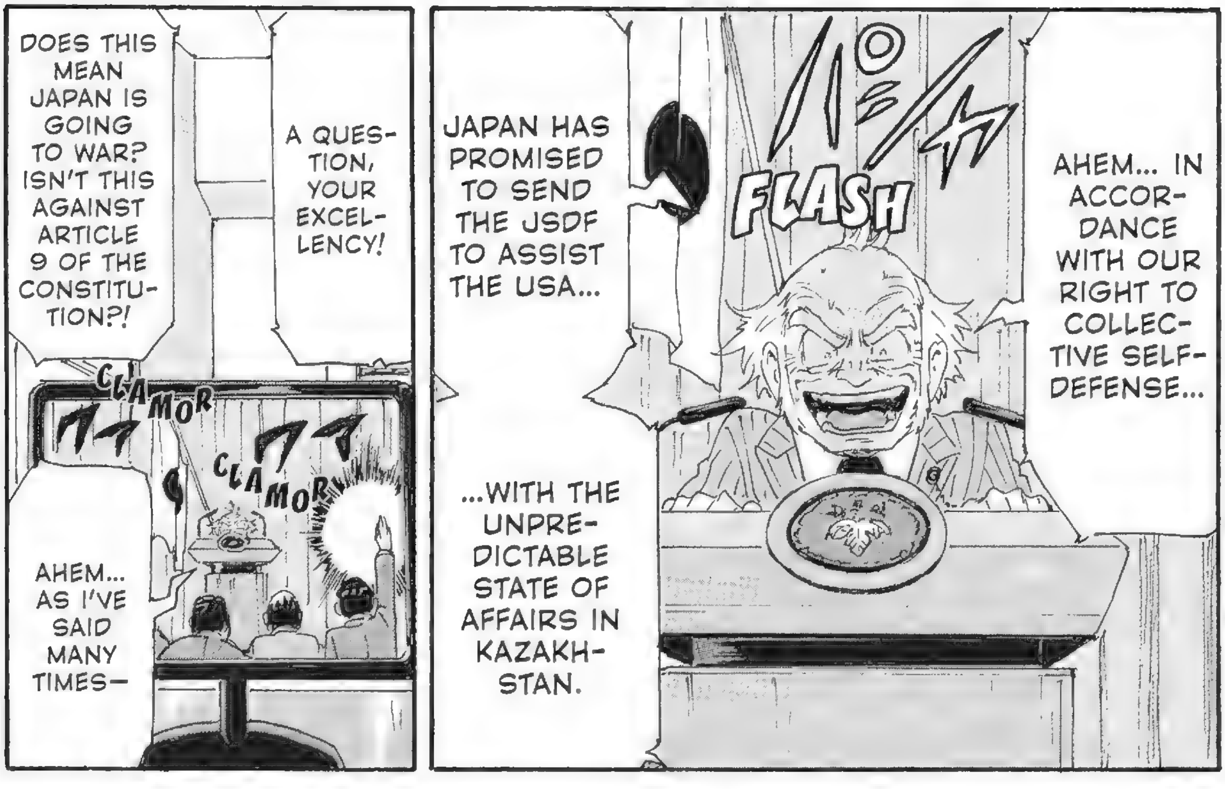

HUFF
!
SQUEAK
HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
Taeko?
Somethin' up?
Y-Yes!
FWAP
Please come to the meeting hall!
Huh? Just tell me now!
I can't! It's classified information!

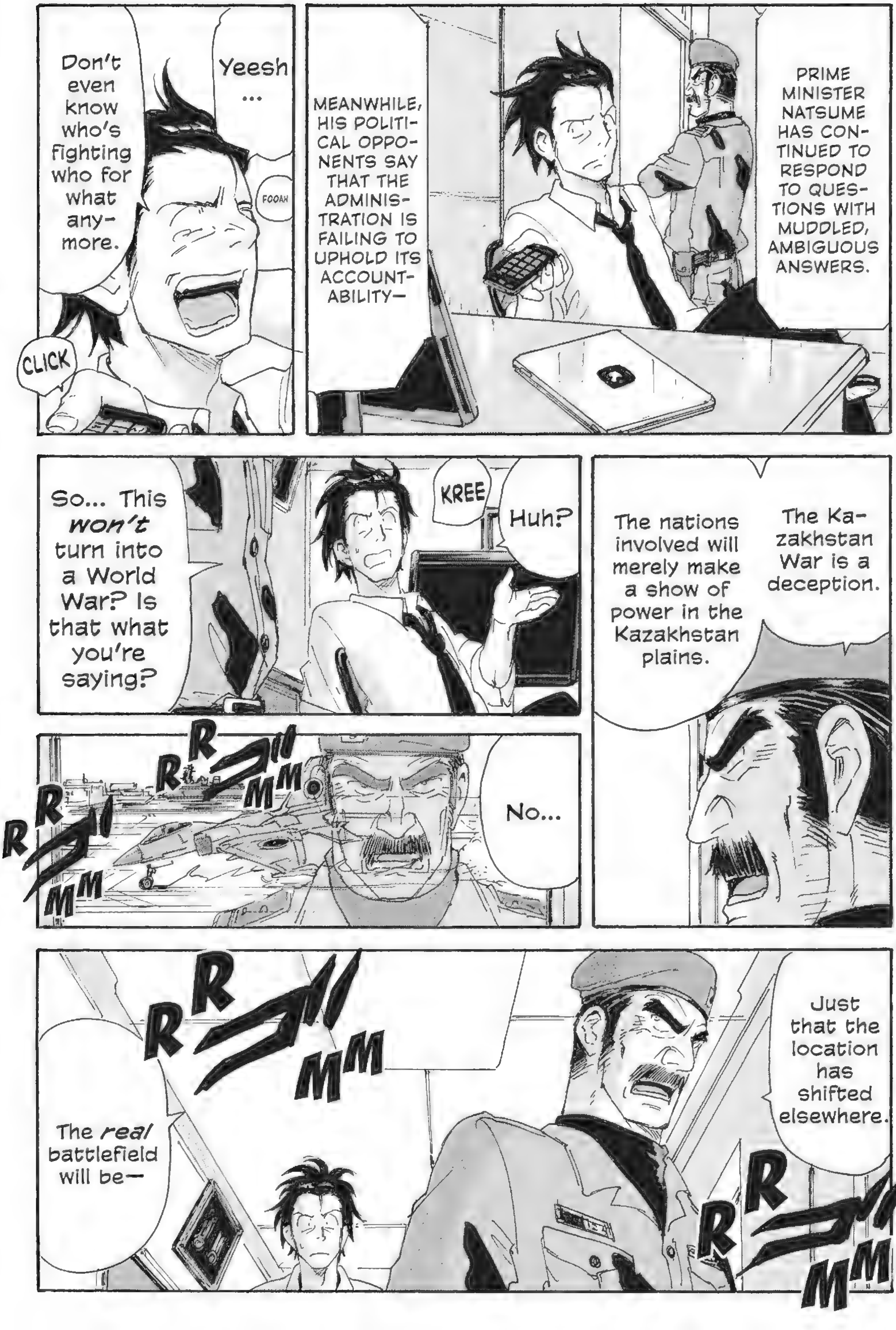

A submarine?!
IT SHOULD MEET THE REQUIREMENTS...
...FOR YOUR "ARK." WELL?
...
NOAH'S ARK
① CAN CARRY 55 PEOP
② STEALTH: WON'T BE RADAR
③ PROPER RADIATION
It...
It does!
Awesome!
We can evacuate everybody now!
STAMP
STAMP
You're the man, VP!

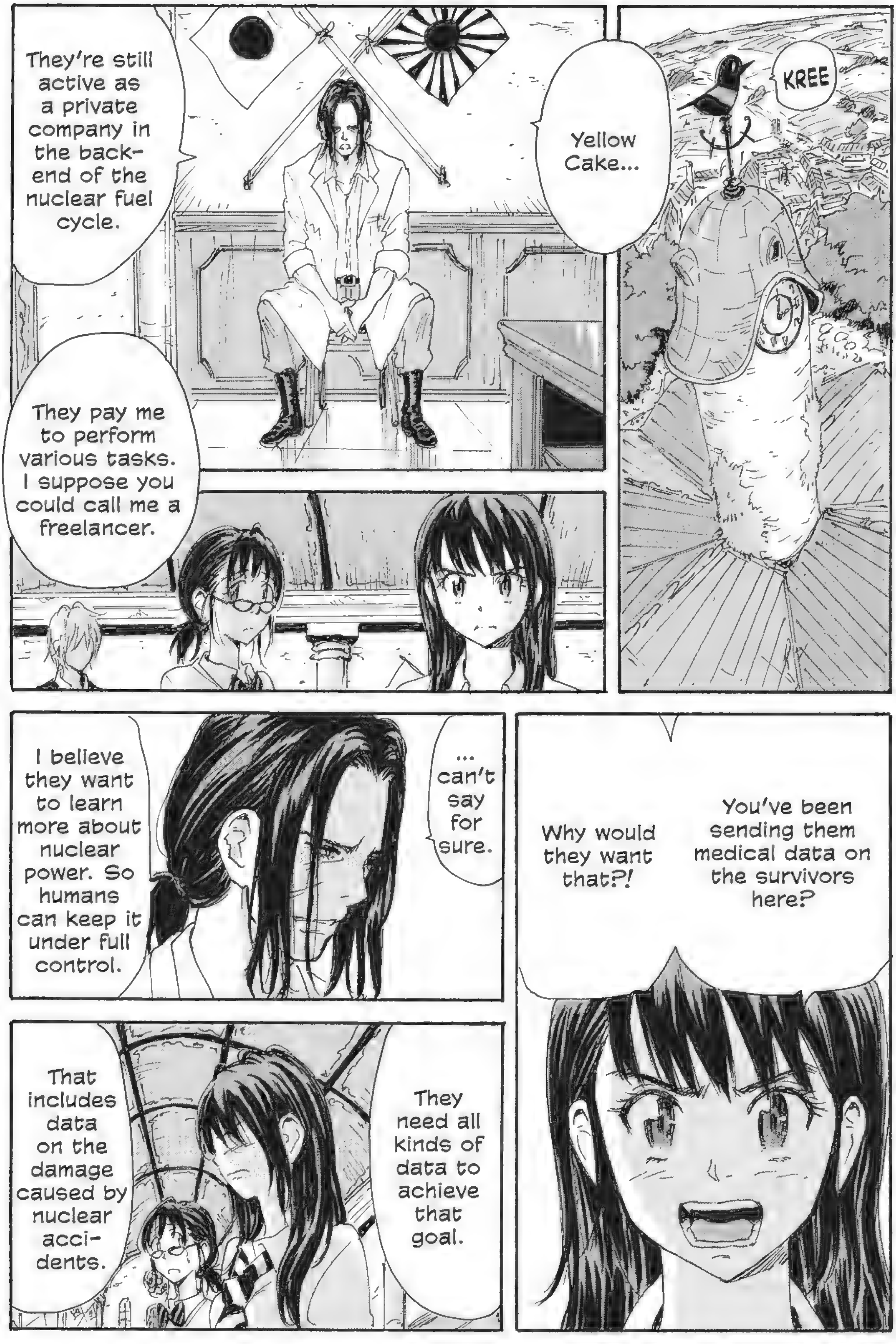

But ...
That's ...
What is it, Taeko?
Well... Um—
Alright! Let's gather everybody up and tell 'em the good news!
They're gonna jump for joy!
DASH
Stop, Ibara!
?!
Haruto?
Did you forget?
CLOP
CLOP
There's a Yellow Cake spy in this shelter.
Oh, yeah!

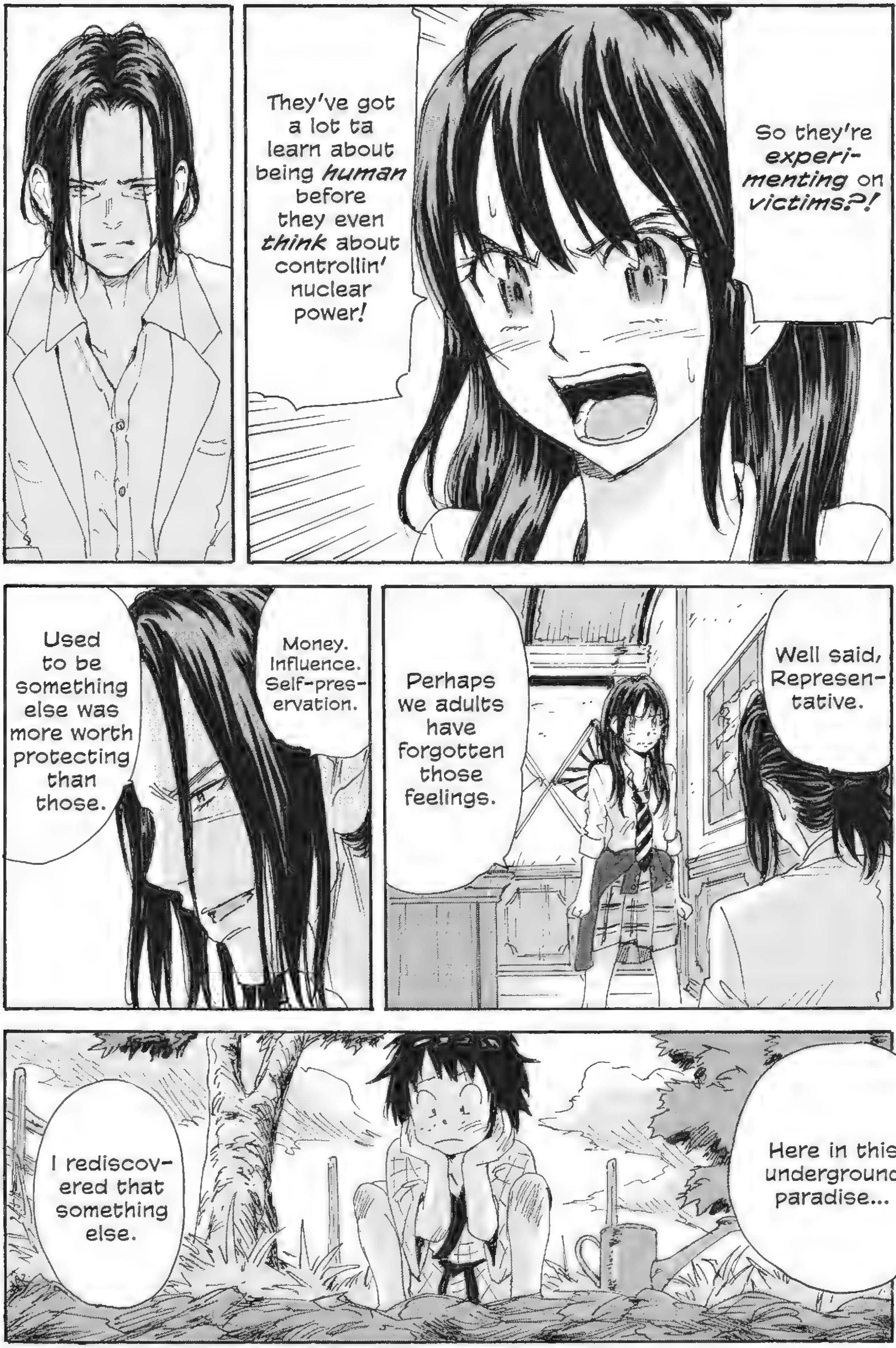

Inform the survivors about the submarine ...
...and the information will reach the government in no time. There goes the plan.
U-Um ...
About that...
The truth is, the spy is—
Me.
KREE
?
I'm the Yellow Cake spy.
Or to be more precise, a mercenary in their employ.

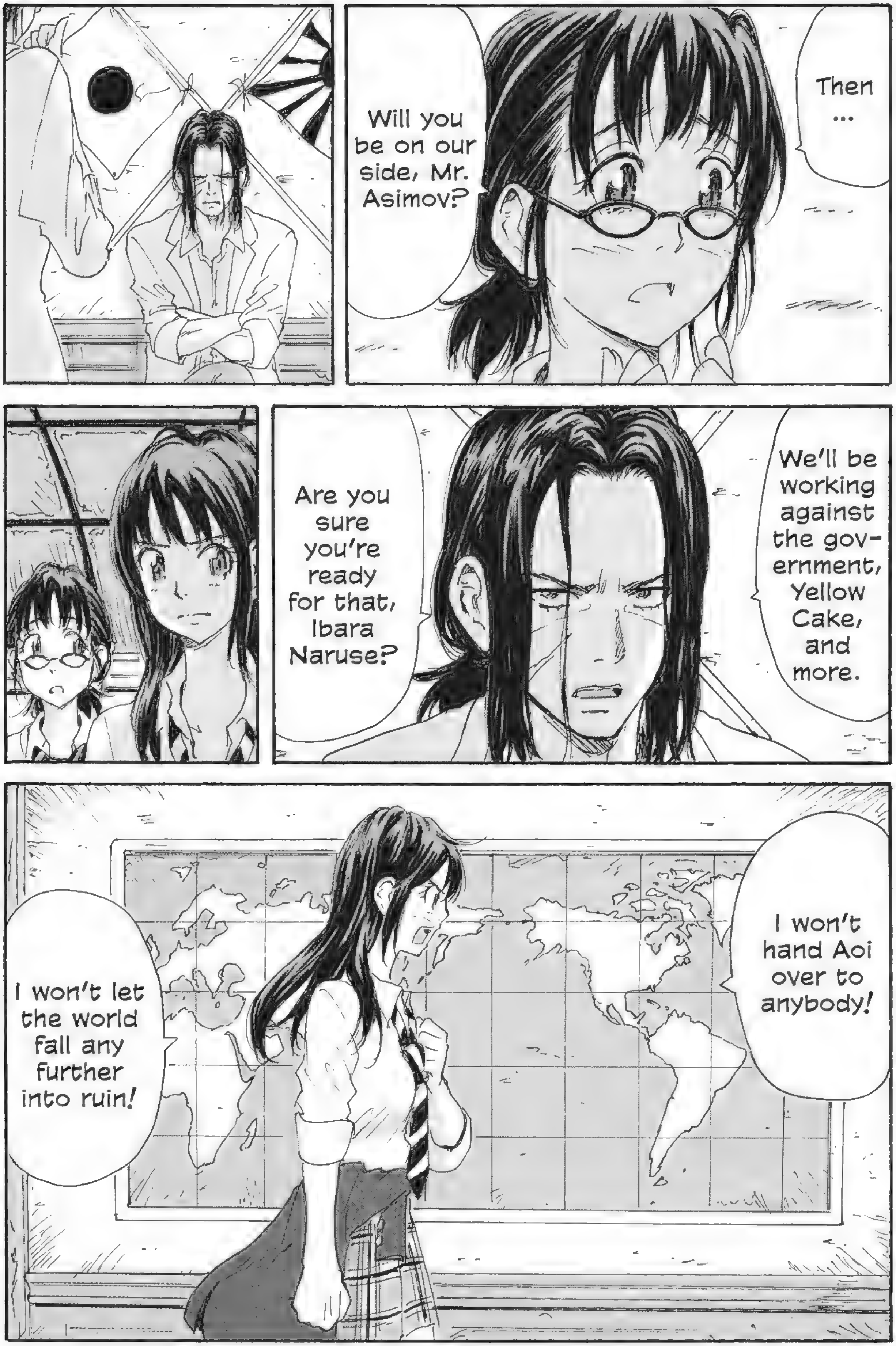

Mr. Asimov?!
But—
...why give yourself up?
I want an answer.
Very well.
Hopefully I'm not too late.

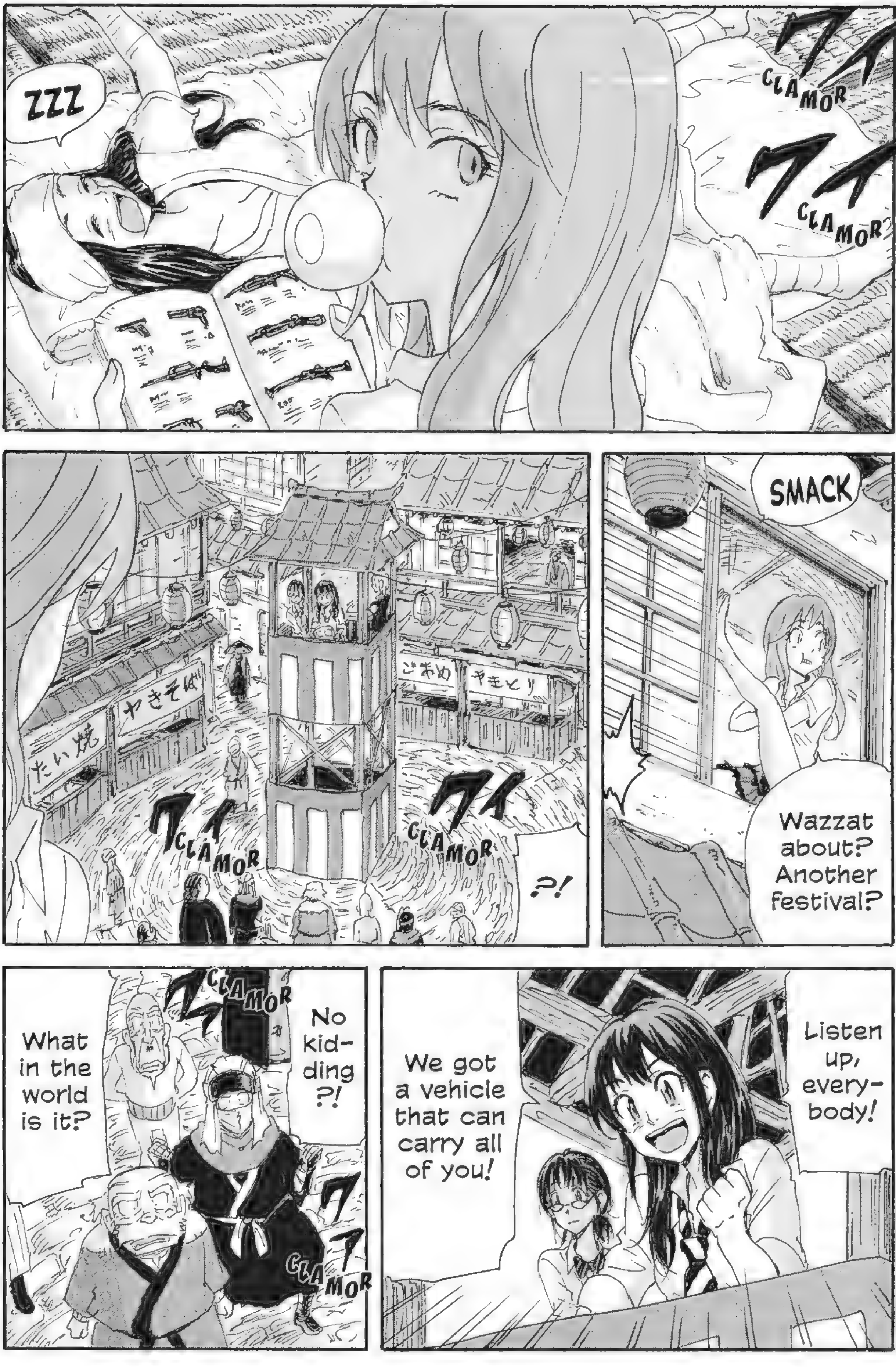

AHEM... IN ACCORDANCE WITH OUR RIGHT TO COLLECTIVE SELF-DEFENSE...
パシャ
FLASH
JAPAN HAS PROMISED TO SEND THE JSDF TO ASSIST THE USA...
...WITH THE UNPREDICTABLE STATE OF AFFAIRS IN KAZAKHSTAN.
A QUESTION, YOUR EXCELLENCY!
DOES THIS MEAN JAPAN IS GOING TO WAR? ISN'T THIS AGAINST ARTICLE 9 OF THE CONSTITUTION?!
ワァ ワァ
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
AHEM... AS I'VE SAID MANY TIMES—

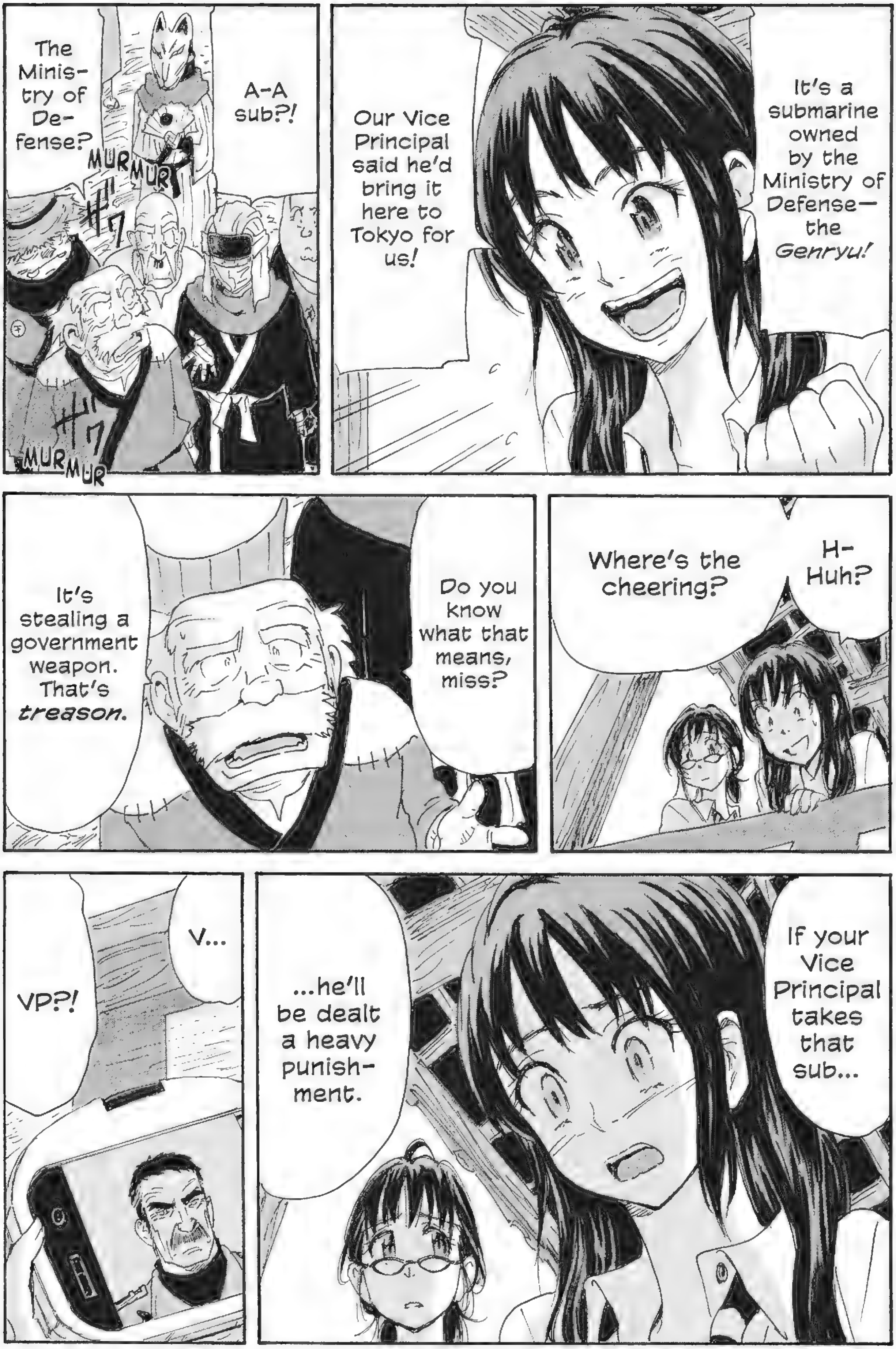

PRIME MINISTER NATSUME HAS CONTINUED TO RESPOND TO QUESTIONS WITH MUDDLED, AMBIGUOUS ANSWERS.
MEANWHILE, HIS POLITICAL OPPONENTS SAY THAT THE ADMINISTRATION IS FAILING TO UPHOLD ITS ACCOUNTABILITY—
FOOAH
Yeesh...
Don't even know who's fighting who for what anymore.
CLICK
The Kazakhstan War is a deception.
The nations involved will merely make a show of power in the Kazakhstan plains.
Huh?
KREE
So... This *won't* turn into a World War? Is that what you're saying?
No...
RRMM
RRMM
Just that the location has shifted elsewhere.
The *real* battlefield will be—
RRMM
RRMM

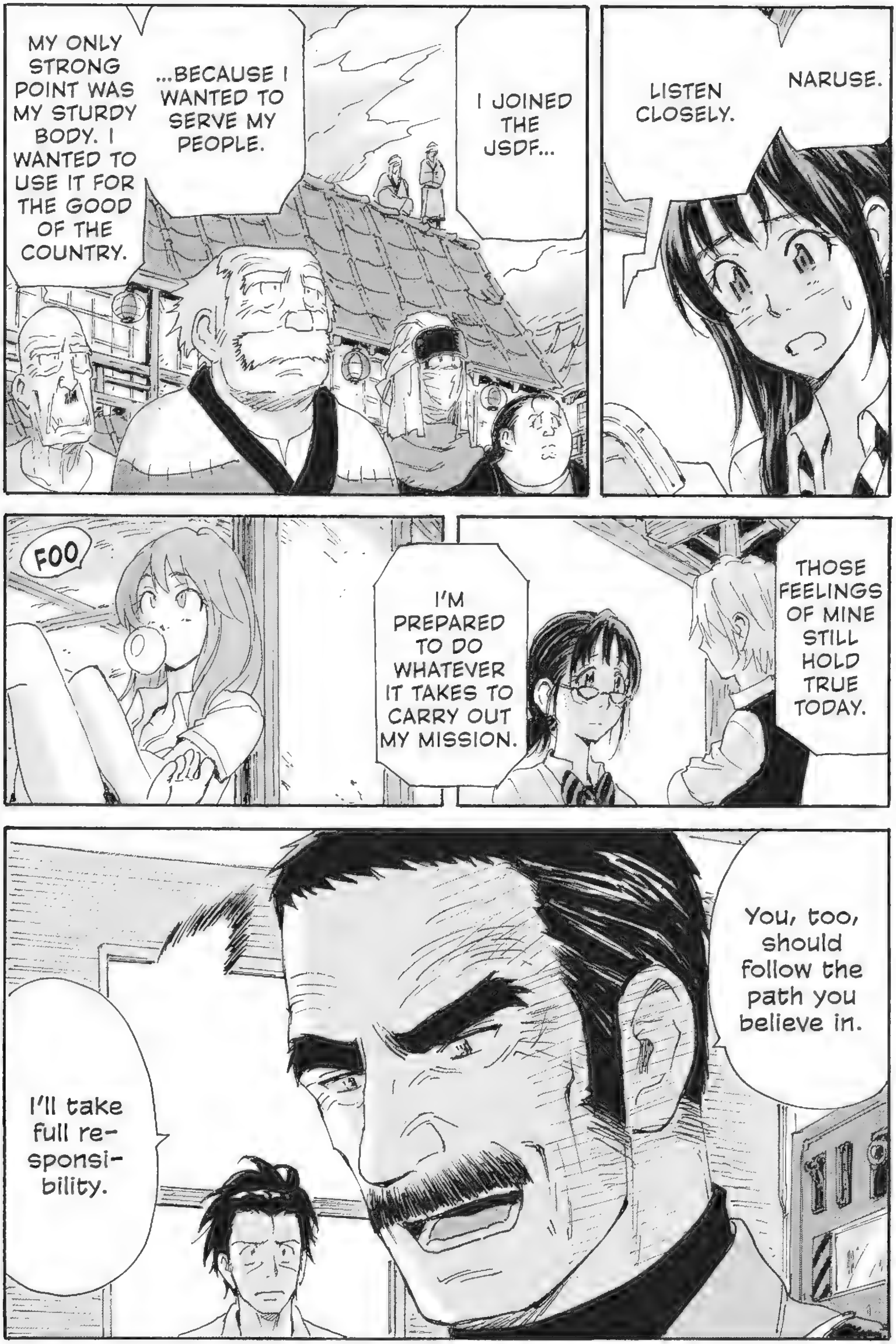

KREE
Yellow Cake...
They're still active as a private company in the back-end of the nuclear fuel cycle.
They pay me to perform various tasks. I suppose you could call me a freelancer.
You've been sending them medical data on the survivors here?
Why would they want that?!
...can't say for sure.
I believe they want to learn more about nuclear power. So humans can keep it under full control.
They need all kinds of data to achieve that goal.
That includes data on the damage caused by nuclear accidents.

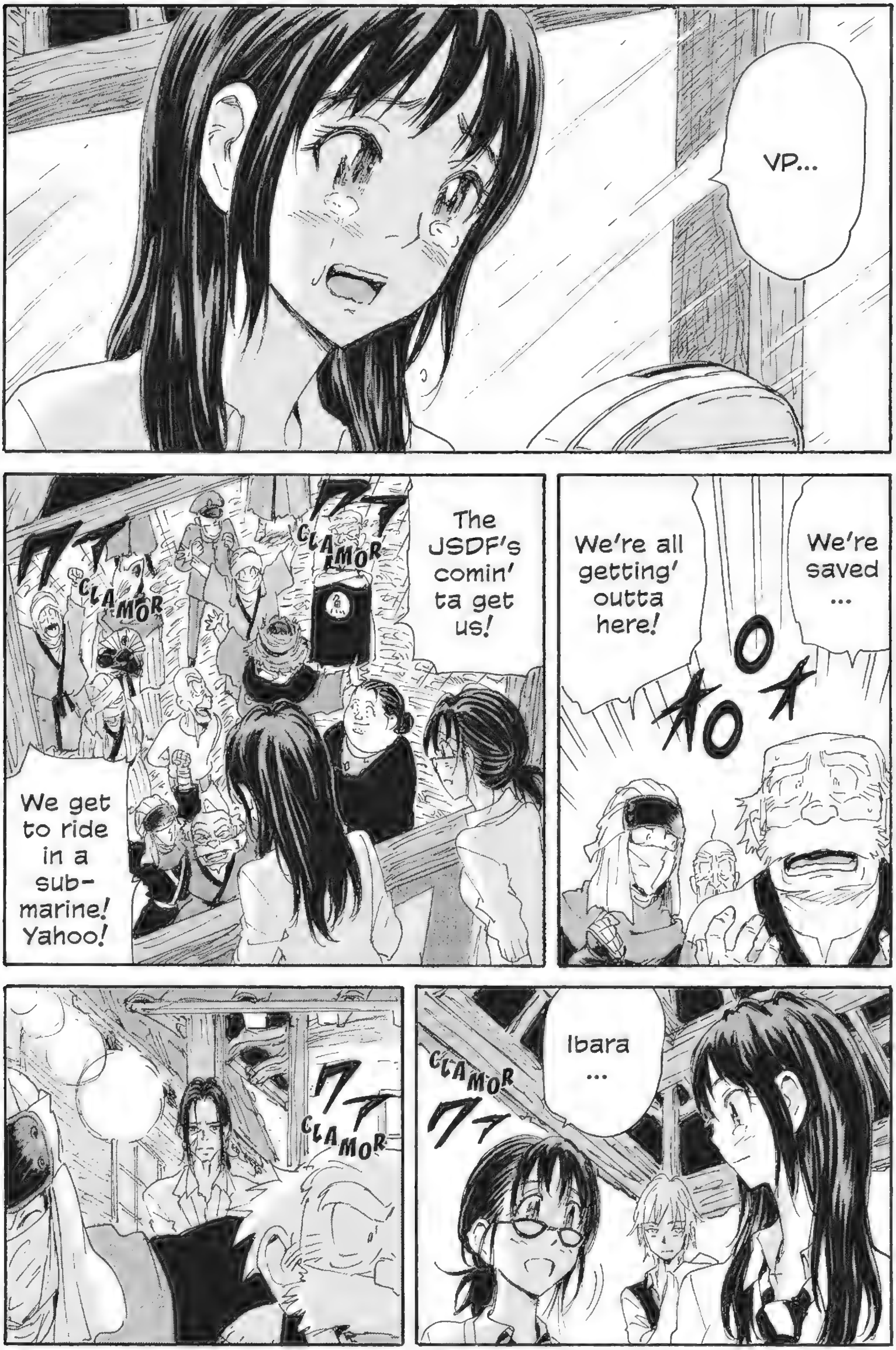

So they're experimenting on victims?!
They've got a lot ta learn about being human before they even think about controllin' nuclear power!
Well said, Representative.
Perhaps we adults have forgotten those feelings.
Money. Influence. Self-preservation.
Used to be something else was more worth protecting than those.
Here in this underground paradise...
I rediscovered that something else.

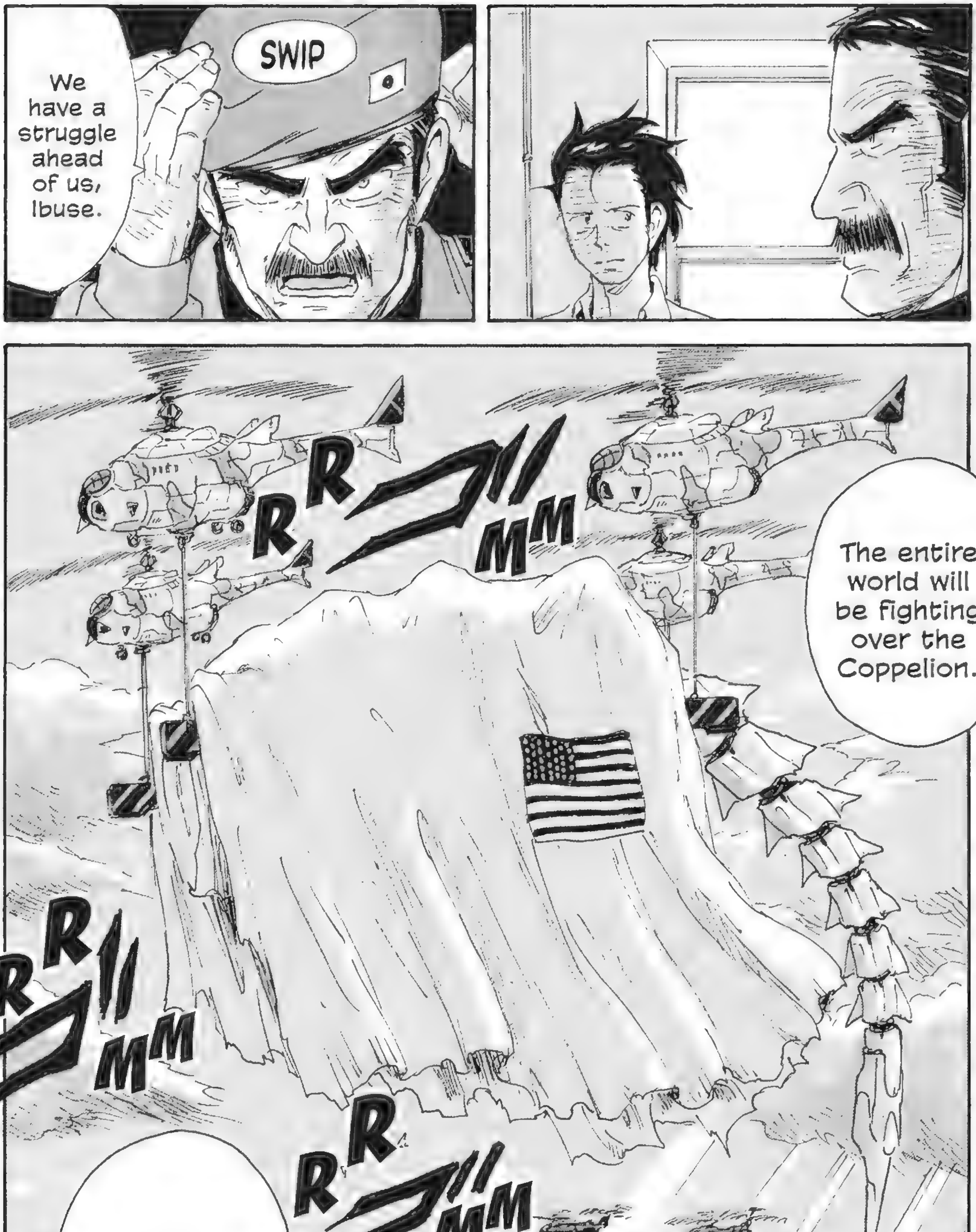

Then ...
Will you be on our side, Mr. Asimov?
We'll be working against the government, Yellow Cake, and more.
Are you sure you're ready for that, Ibara Naruse?
I won't hand Aoi over to anybody!
I won't let the world fall any further into ruin!

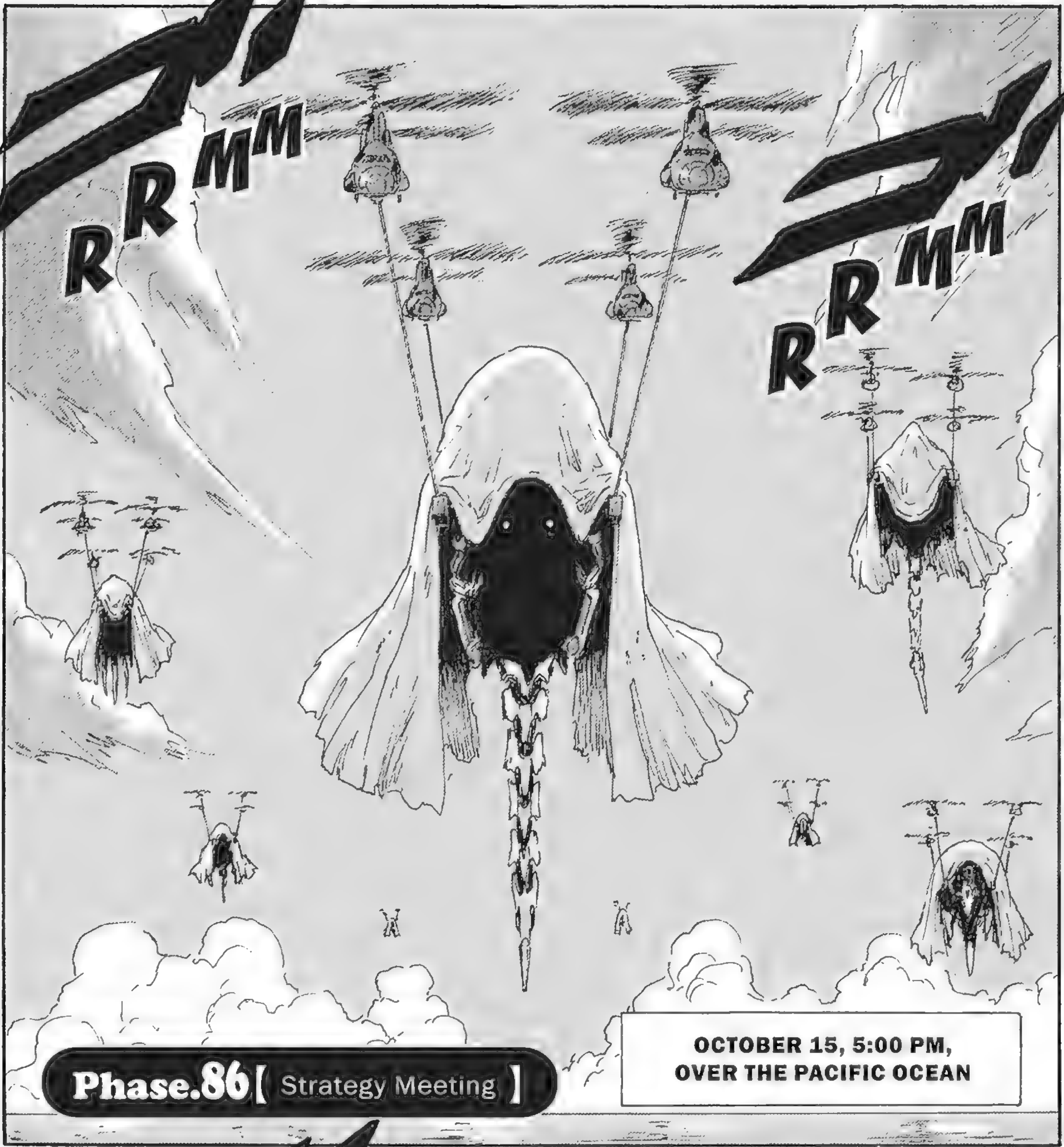

ワイ CLAMOR
ワイ CLAMOR
ZZZ
SMACK
Wazzat about? Another festival?
?!
ワイ CLAMOR
ワイ CLAMOR
やきとり
やきそば
たい焼
Listen up, everybody!
We got a vehicle that can carry all of you!
No kidding?!
ワイ CLAMOR
What in the world is it?
ワア CLAMOR


It's a submarine owned by the Ministry of Defense—the *Genryu!*
Our Vice Principal said he'd bring it here to Tokyo for us!
A-A sub?!
The Ministry of Defense?
MURMUR
ザワ
ザワ
MURMUR
H-Huh?
Where's the cheering?
Do you know what that means, miss?
It's stealing a government weapon. That's *treason.*
If your Vice Principal takes that sub...
...he'll be dealt a heavy punishment.
V...
VP?!


NARUSE.
LISTEN CLOSELY.
I JOINED THE JSDF...
...BECAUSE I WANTED TO SERVE MY PEOPLE.
MY ONLY STRONG POINT WAS MY STURDY BODY. I WANTED TO USE IT FOR THE GOOD OF THE COUNTRY.
THOSE FEELINGS OF MINE STILL HOLD TRUE TODAY.
I'M PREPARED TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES TO CARRY OUT MY MISSION.
FOO
You, too, should follow the path you believe in.
I'll take full responsibility.

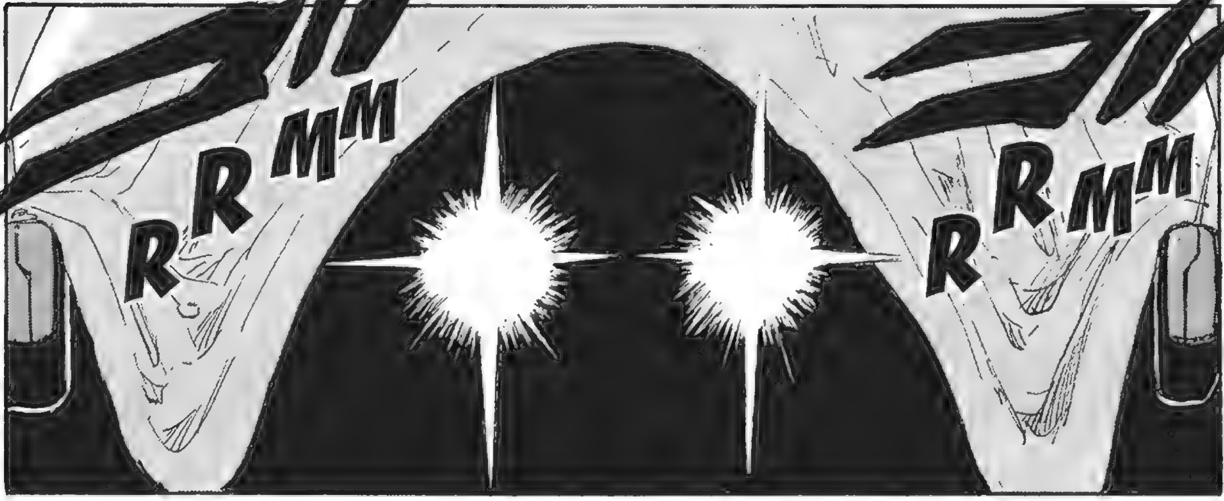

VP...
We're saved ...
We're all getting' outta here!
オオ
The JSDF's comin' ta get us!
CLAMOR
CLAMOR
We get to ride in a sub-marine! Yahoo!
Ibara ...
CLAMOR
CLAMOR

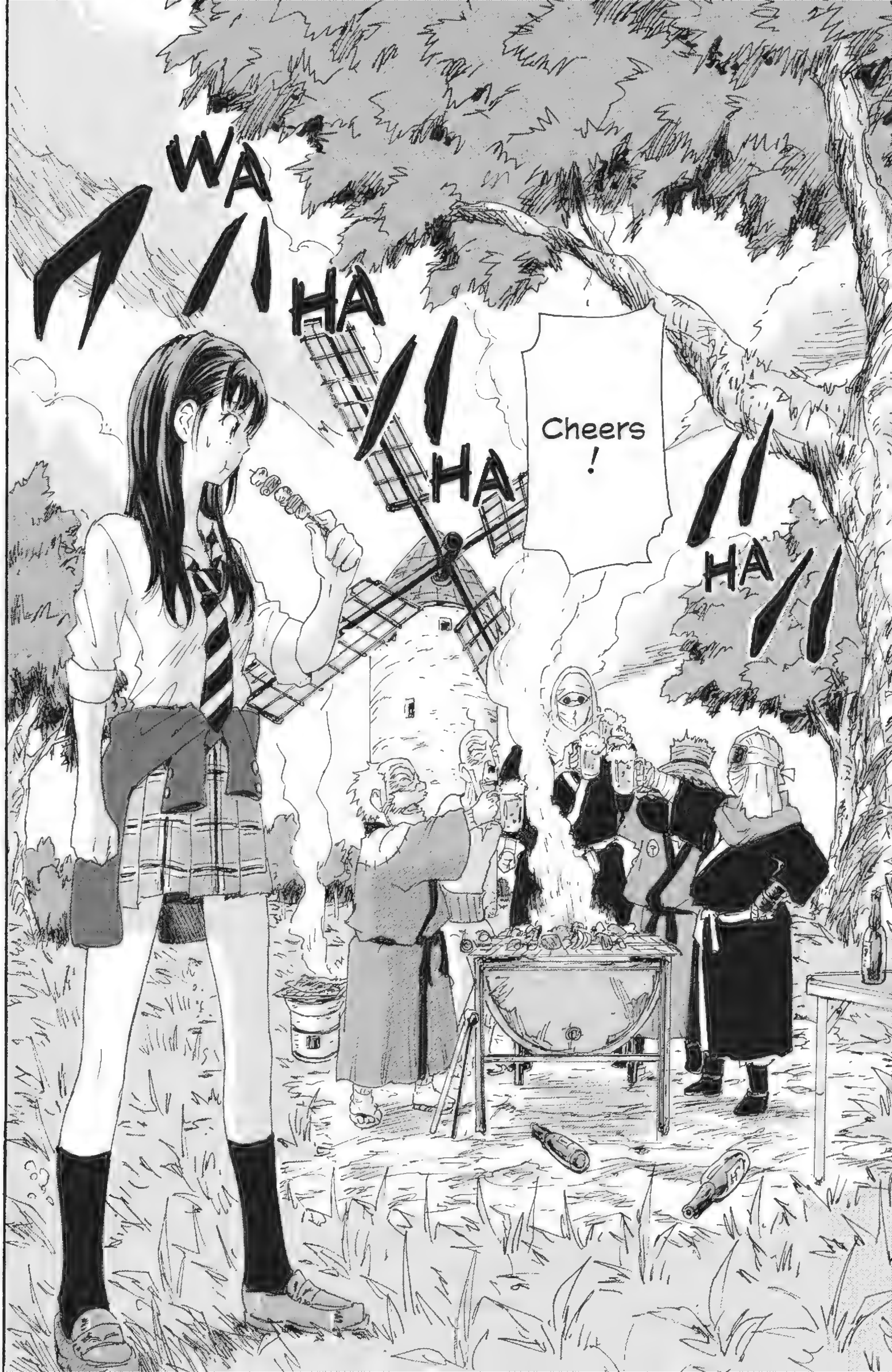

SWIP
We have a struggle ahead of us, Ibuse.
RRRMM
The entire world will be fighting over the Coppelion.
RRRMM
RRRMM
Soon, Tokyo will be a battlefield.
P-85 END

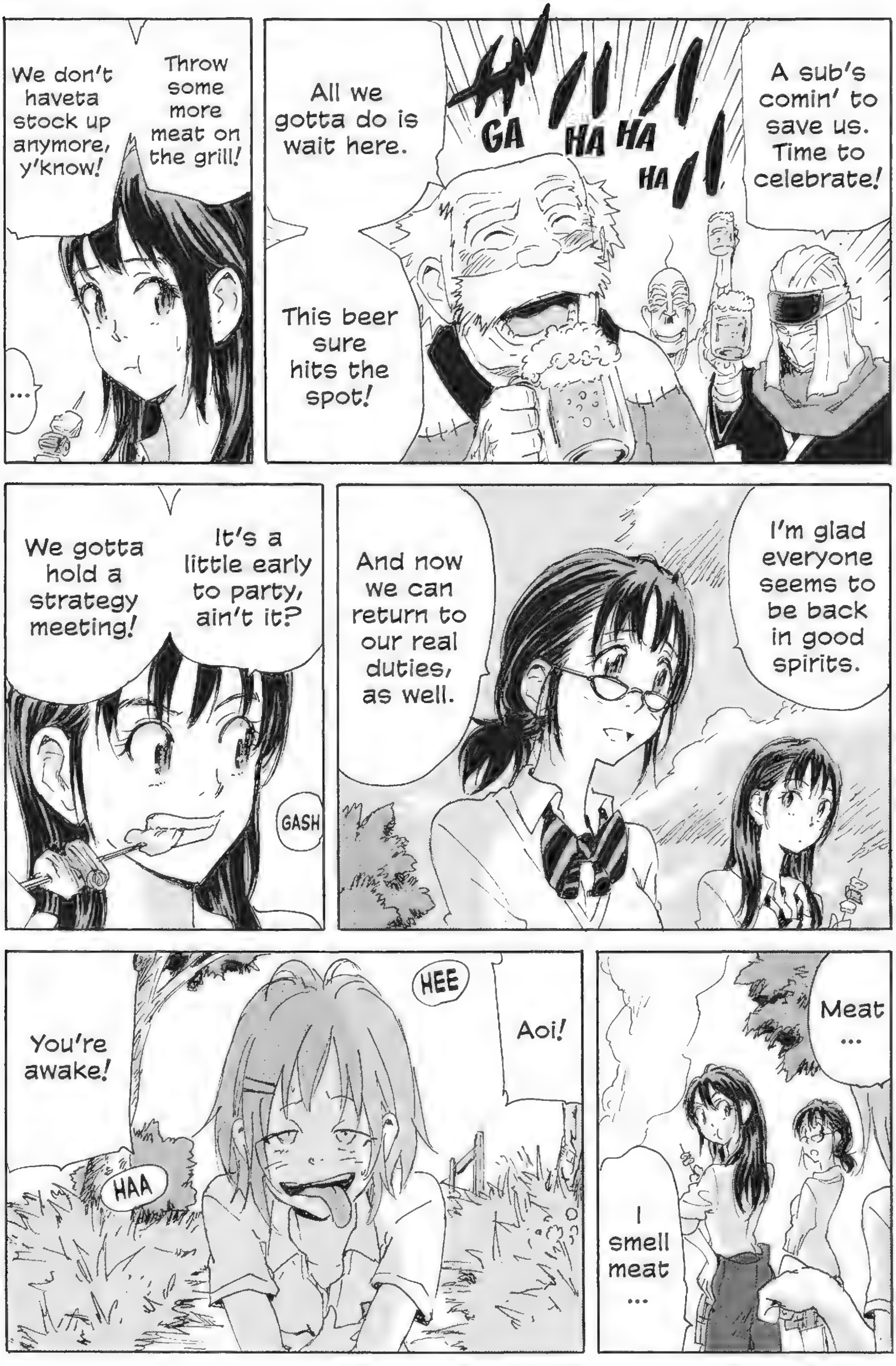


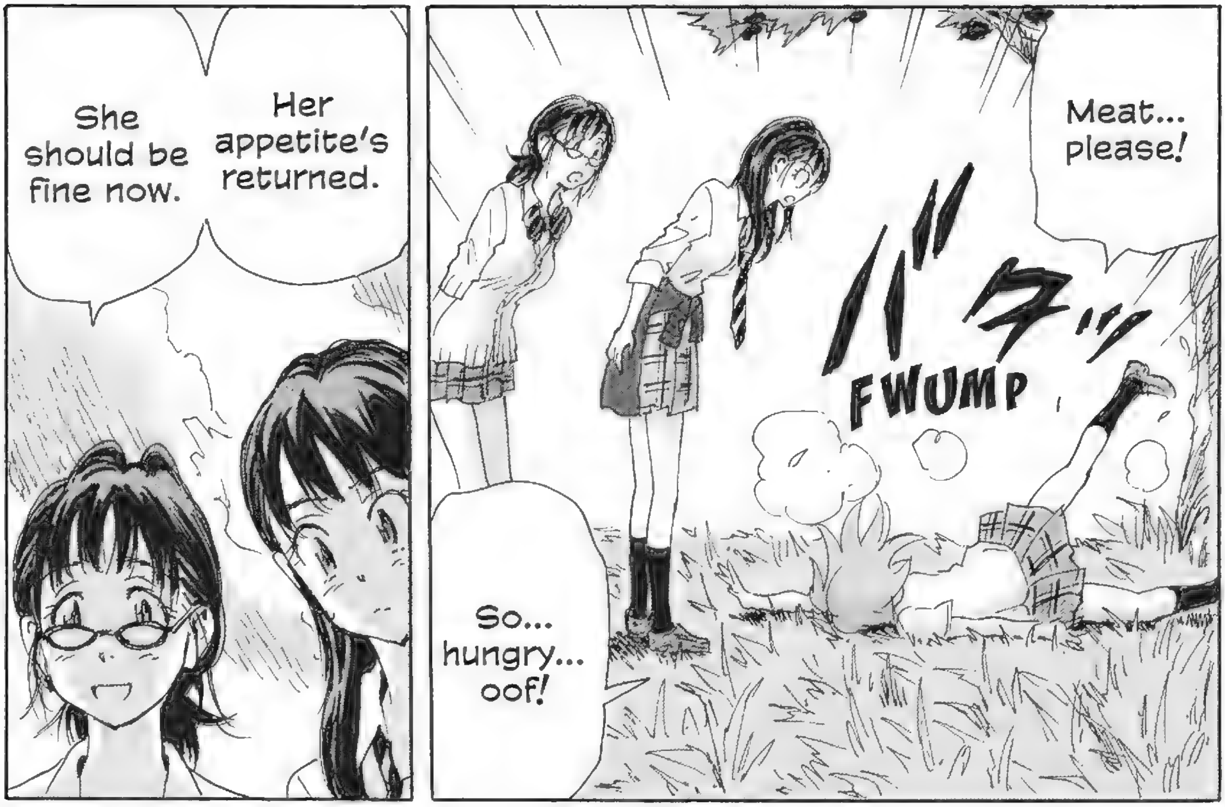
Phase.86 [Strategy Meeting]

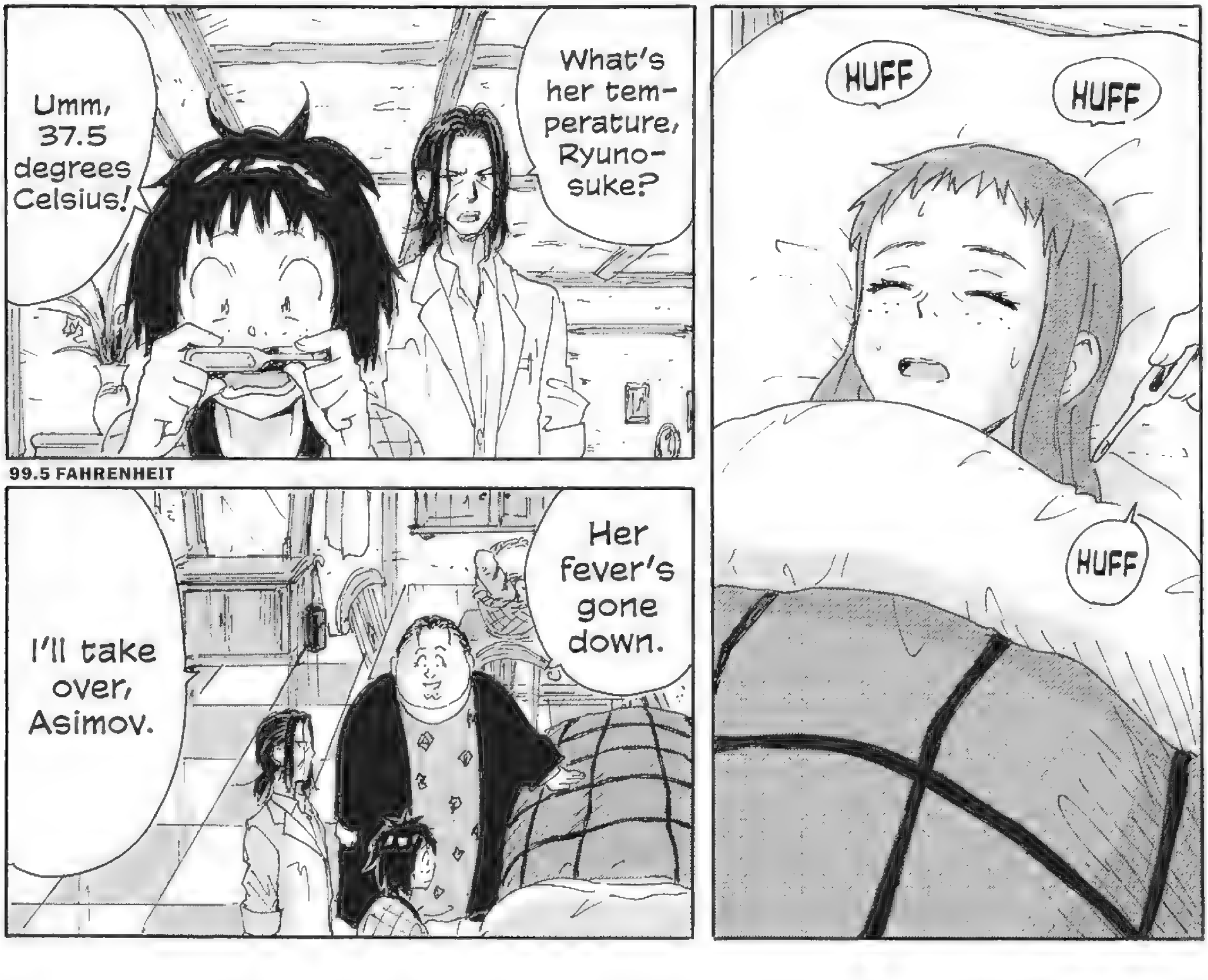
OCTOBER 15, 5:00 PM,
OVER THE PACIFIC OCEAN



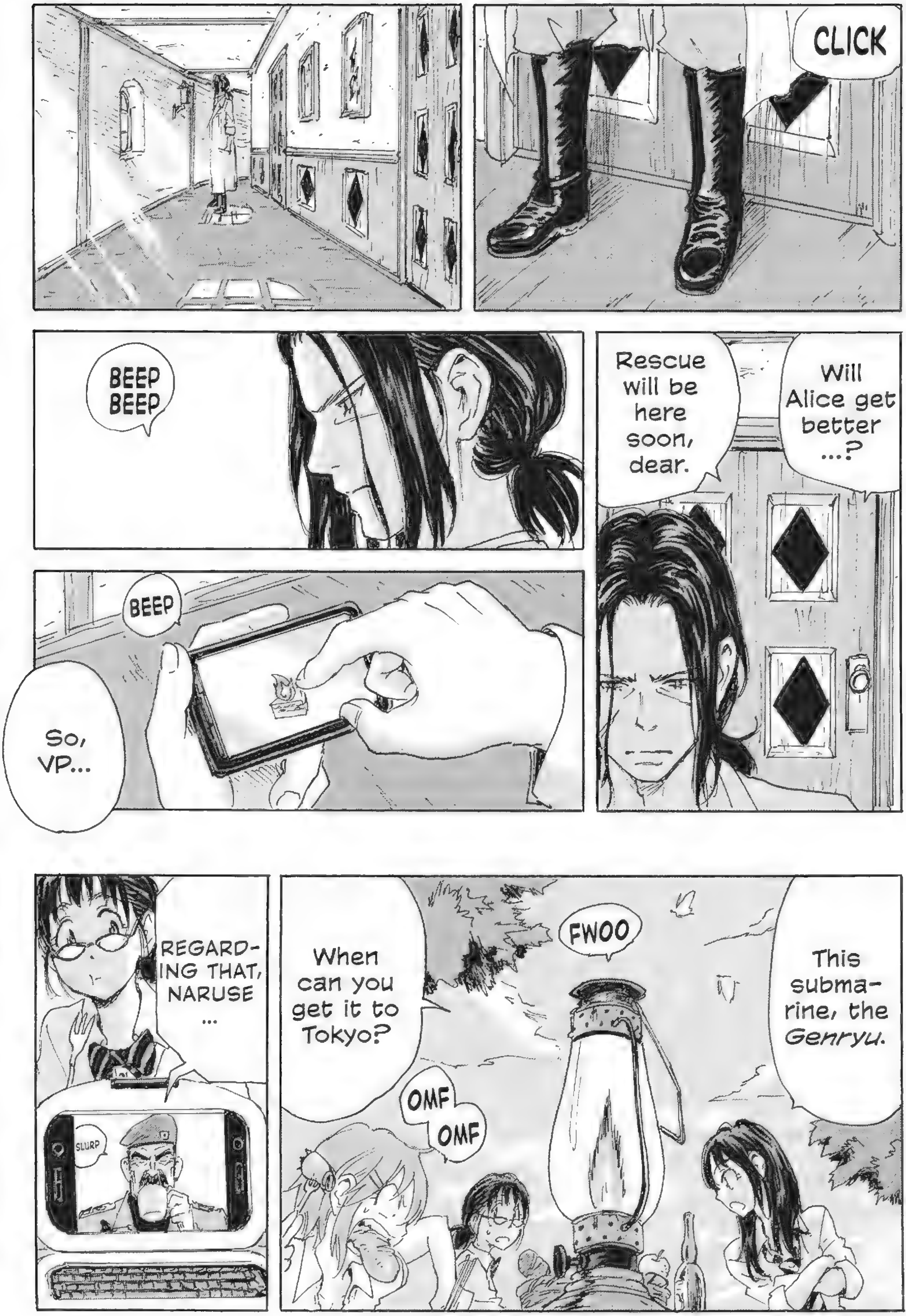

WA
HA
HA
Cheers!
HA

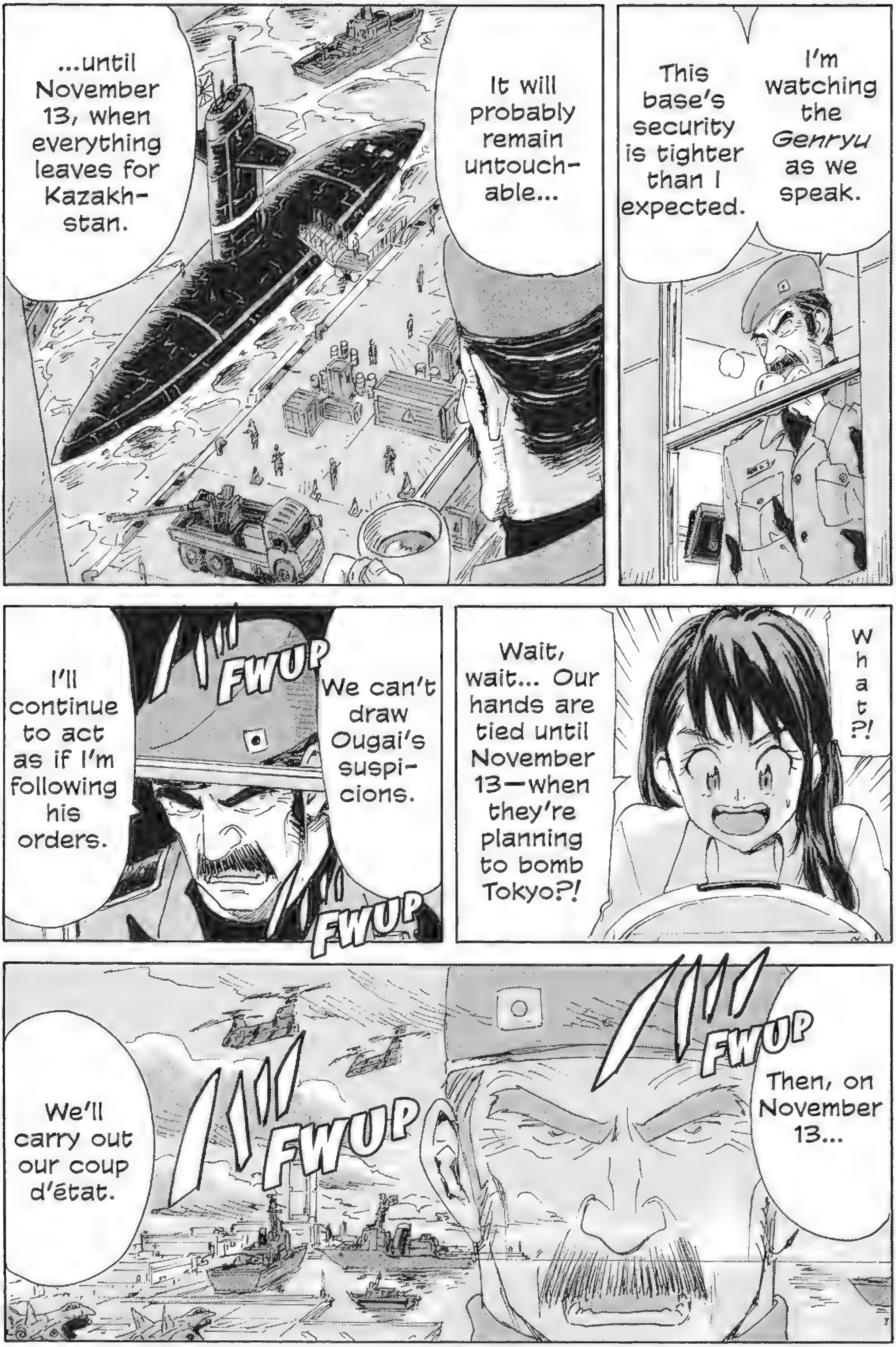

A sub's comin' to save us. Time to celebrate!
GA HA HA HA
All we gotta do is wait here.
This beer sure hits the spot!
Throw some more meat on the grill!
We don't haveta stock up anymore, y'know!
...
I'm glad everyone seems to be back in good spirits.
And now we can return to our real duties, as well.
It's a little early to party, ain't it?
We gotta hold a strategy meeting!
GASH
Meat...
I smell meat...
Aoi!
HEE
You're awake!
HAA

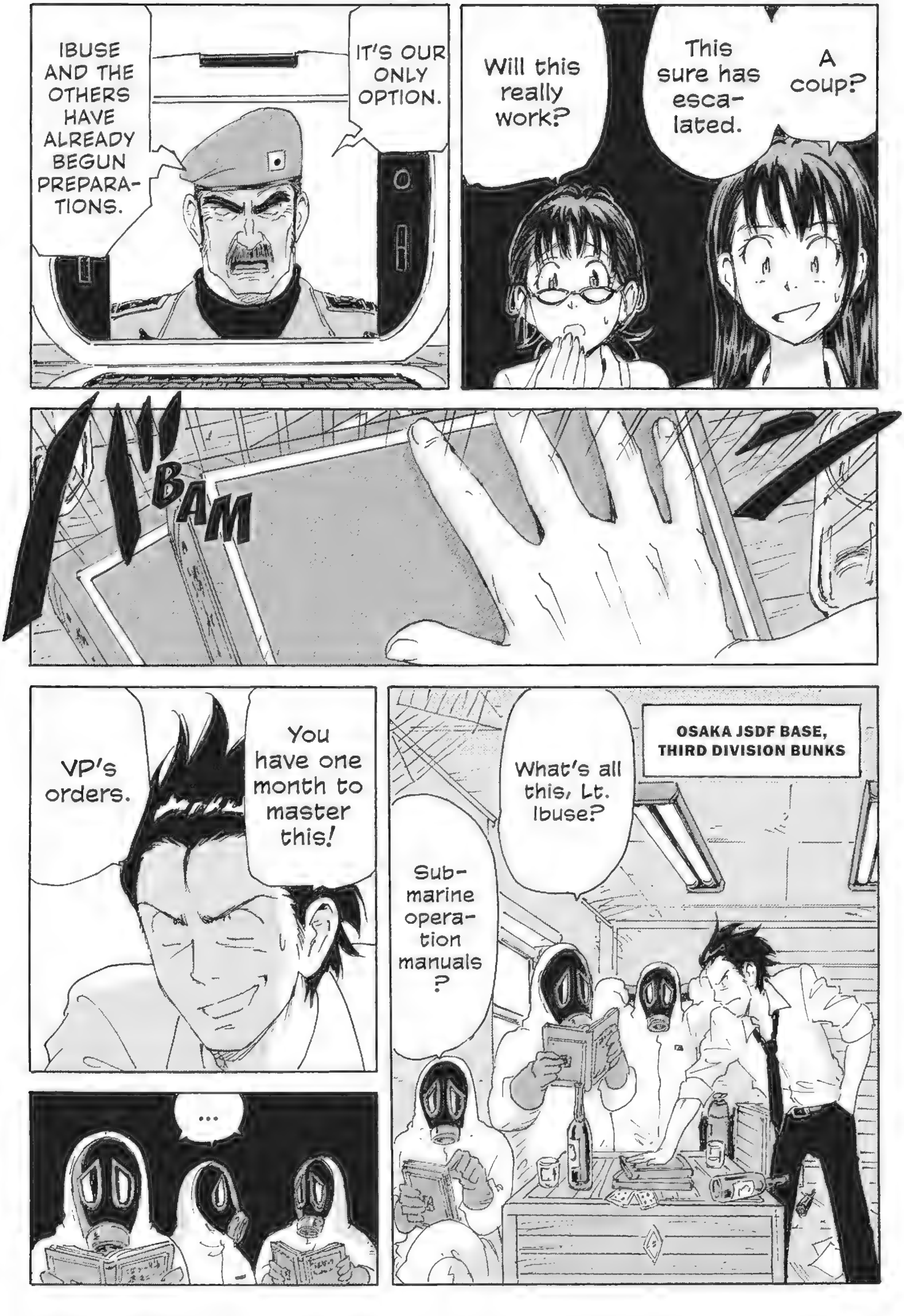

Meat... please!
バタッ
FWUMP
So... hungry... oof!
Her appetite's returned.
She should be fine now.

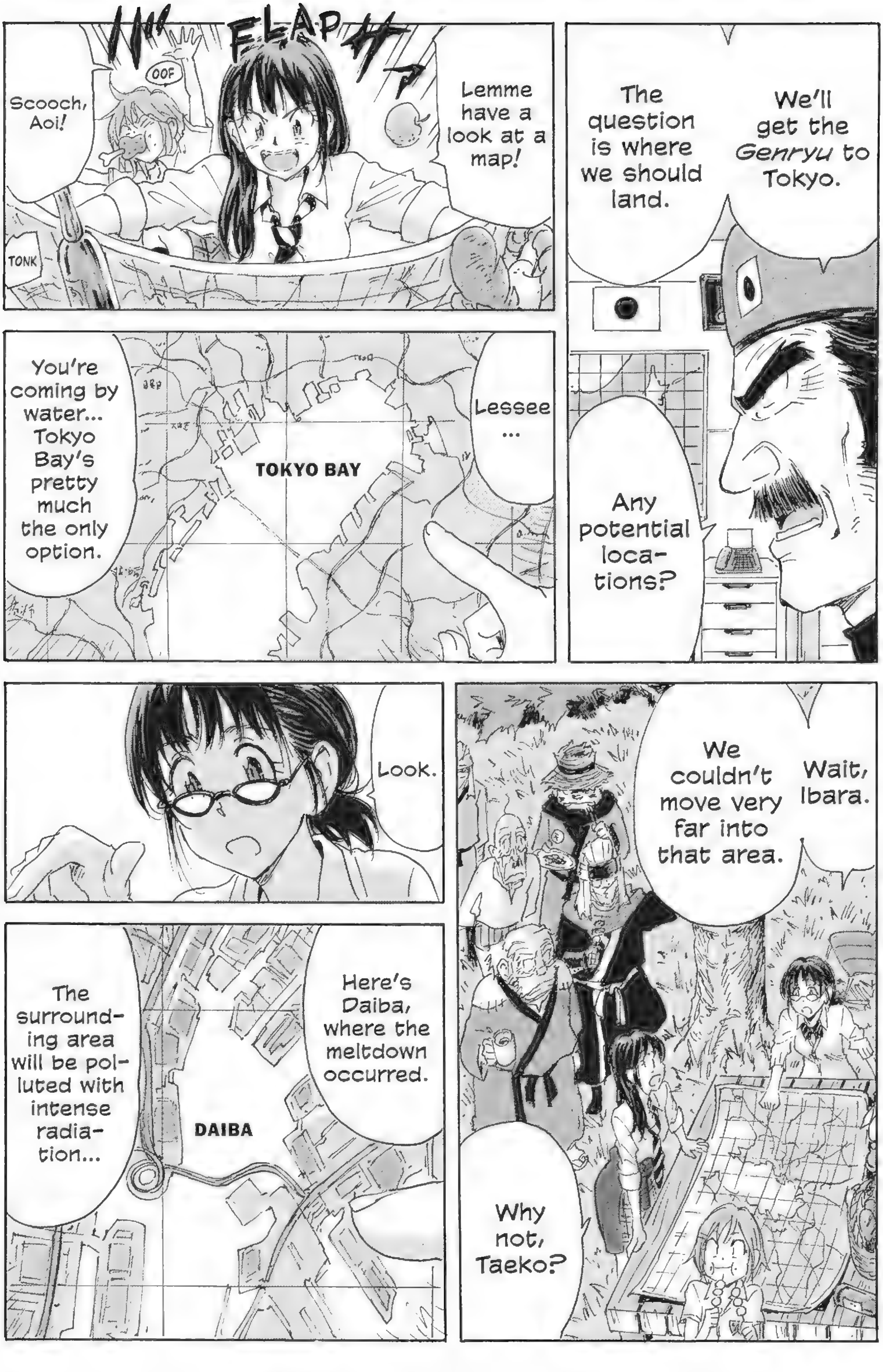

HUFF
HUFF
HUFF
What's her temperature, Ryunosuke?
Umm, 37.5 degrees Celsius!
Her fever's gone down.
I'll take over, Asimov.

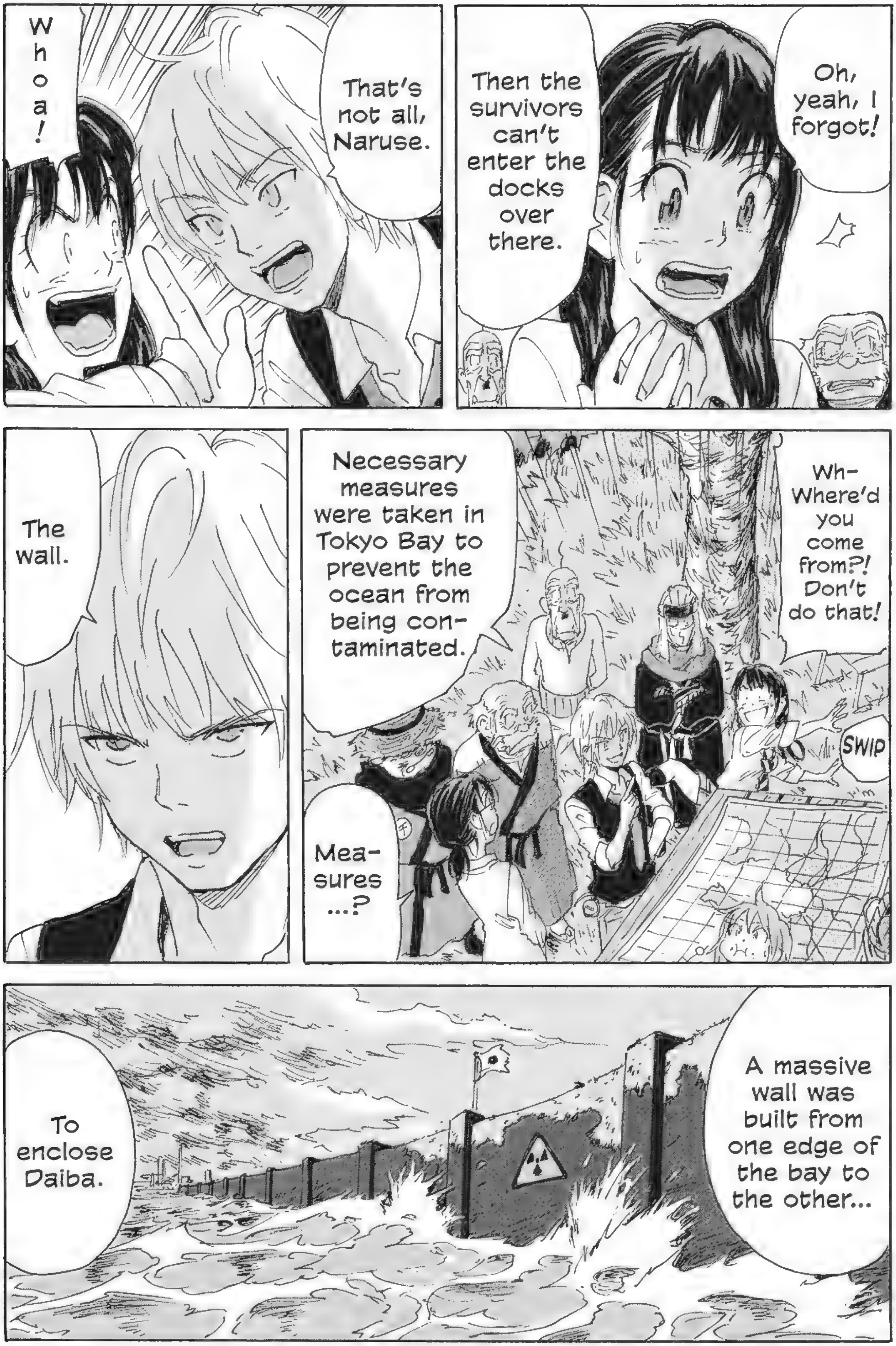
99.5 FAHRENHEIT

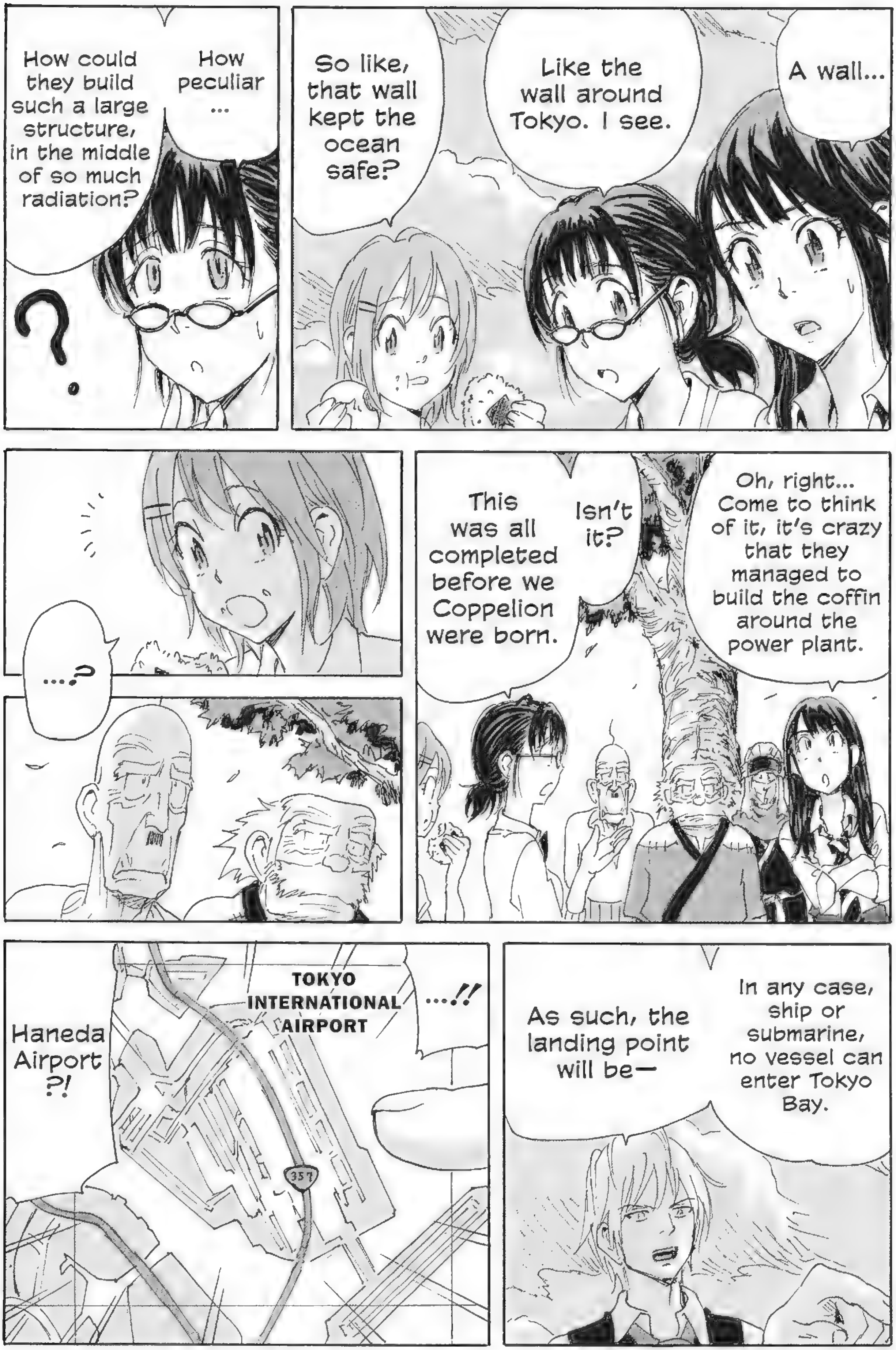

CLICK
Will Alice get better ...?
Rescue will be here soon, dear.
BEEP BEEP
BEEP
So, VP...
This submarine, the *Genryu*.
FWOO
When can you get it to Tokyo?
OMF OMF
REGARDING THAT, NARUSE ...
SLURP

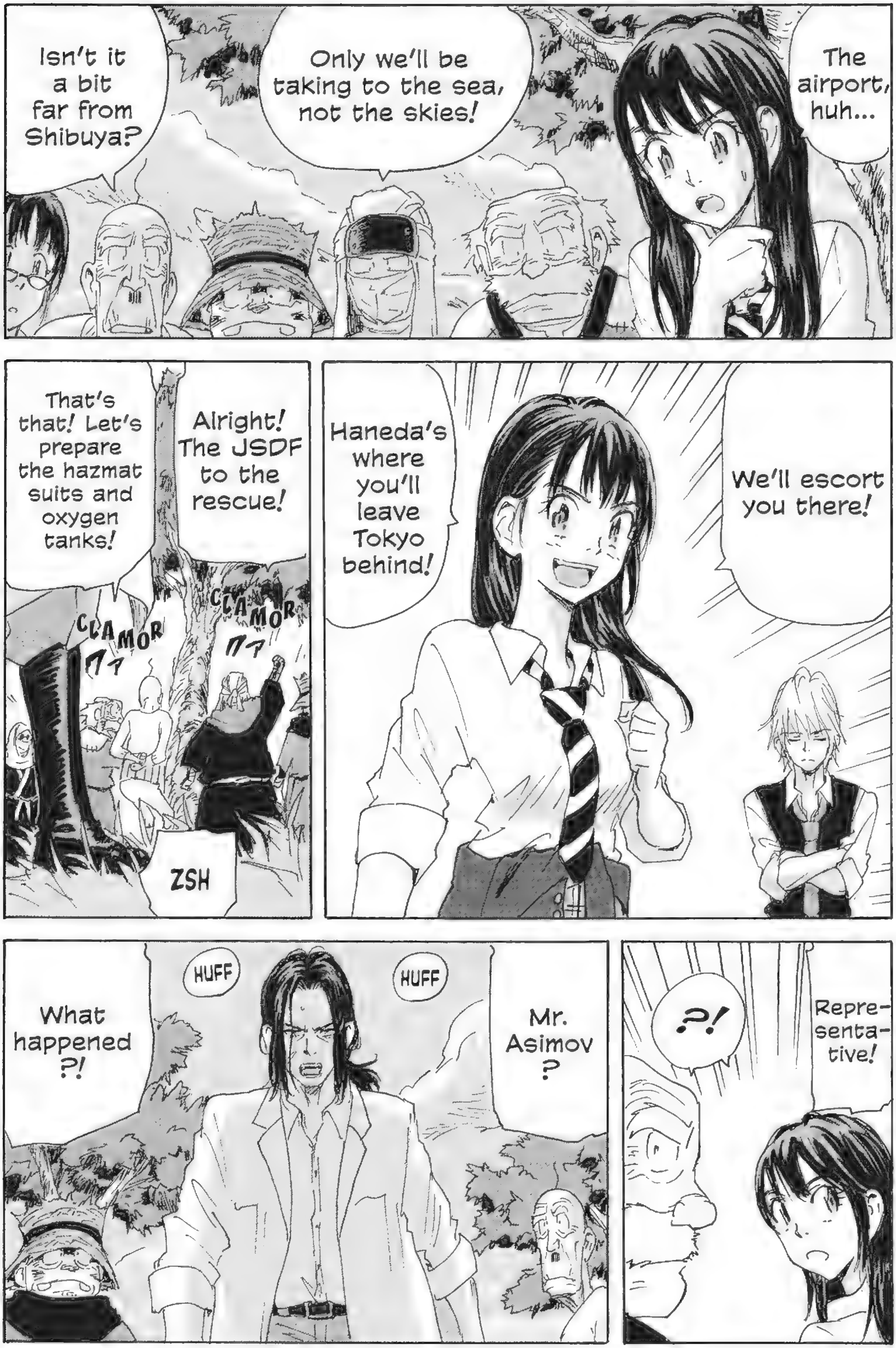

I'm watching the *Genryu* as we speak.
This base's security is tighter than I expected.
It will probably remain untouchable...
...until November 13, when everything leaves for Kazakhstan.
What?!
Wait, wait... Our hands are tied until November 13—when they're planning to bomb Tokyo?!
FWUP
We can't draw Ougai's suspicions.
I'll continue to act as if I'm following his orders.
FWUP
FWUP
Then, on November 13...
FWUP
We'll carry out our coup d'état.

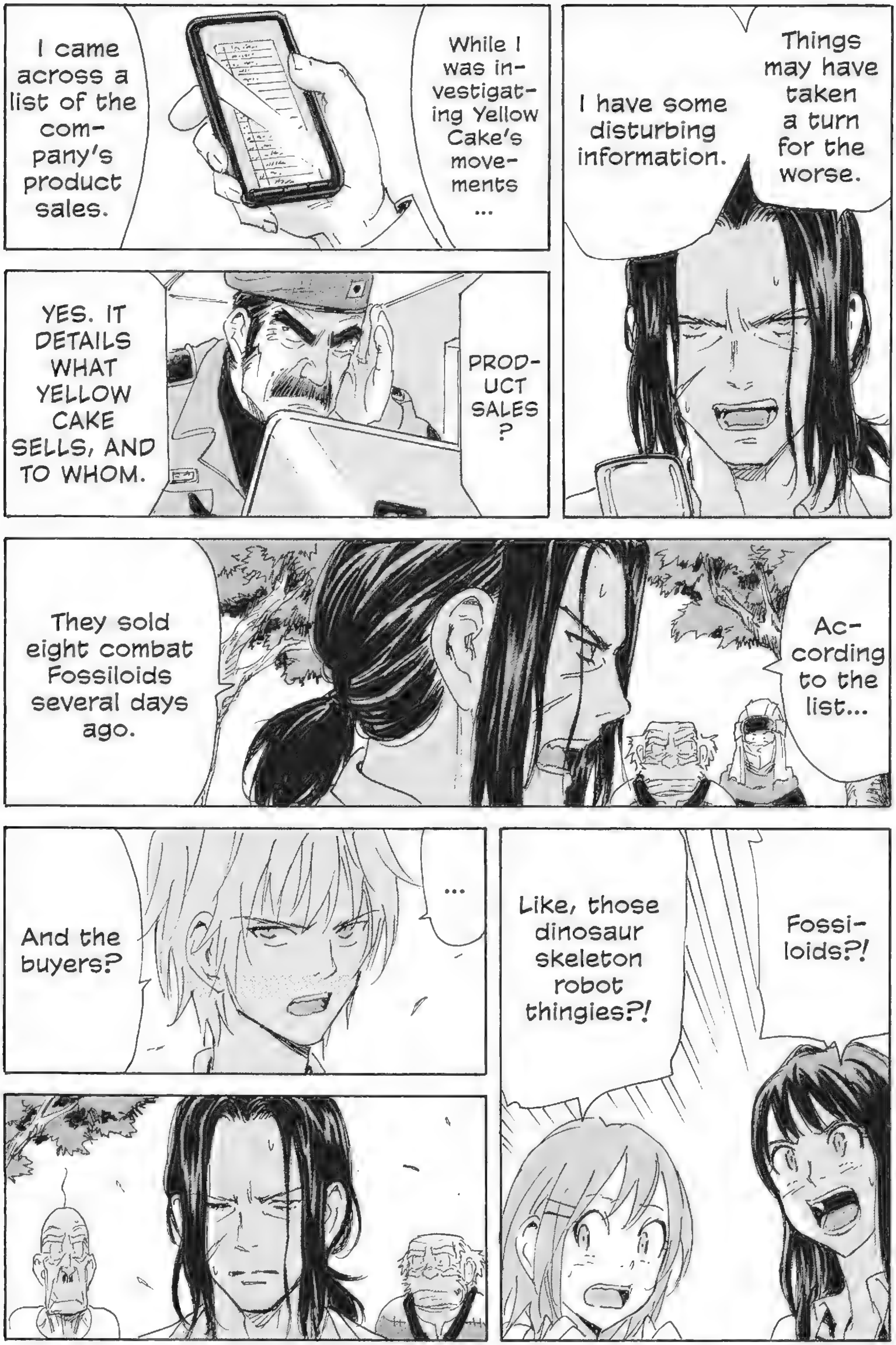

A coup?
This sure has escalated.
Will this really work?
IT'S OUR ONLY OPTION.
IBUSE AND THE OTHERS HAVE ALREADY BEGUN PREPARATIONS.
BAM
OSAKA JSDF BASE, THIRD DIVISION BUNKS
What's all this, Lt. Ibuse?
Submarine operation manuals?
You have one month to master this!
VP's orders.
...

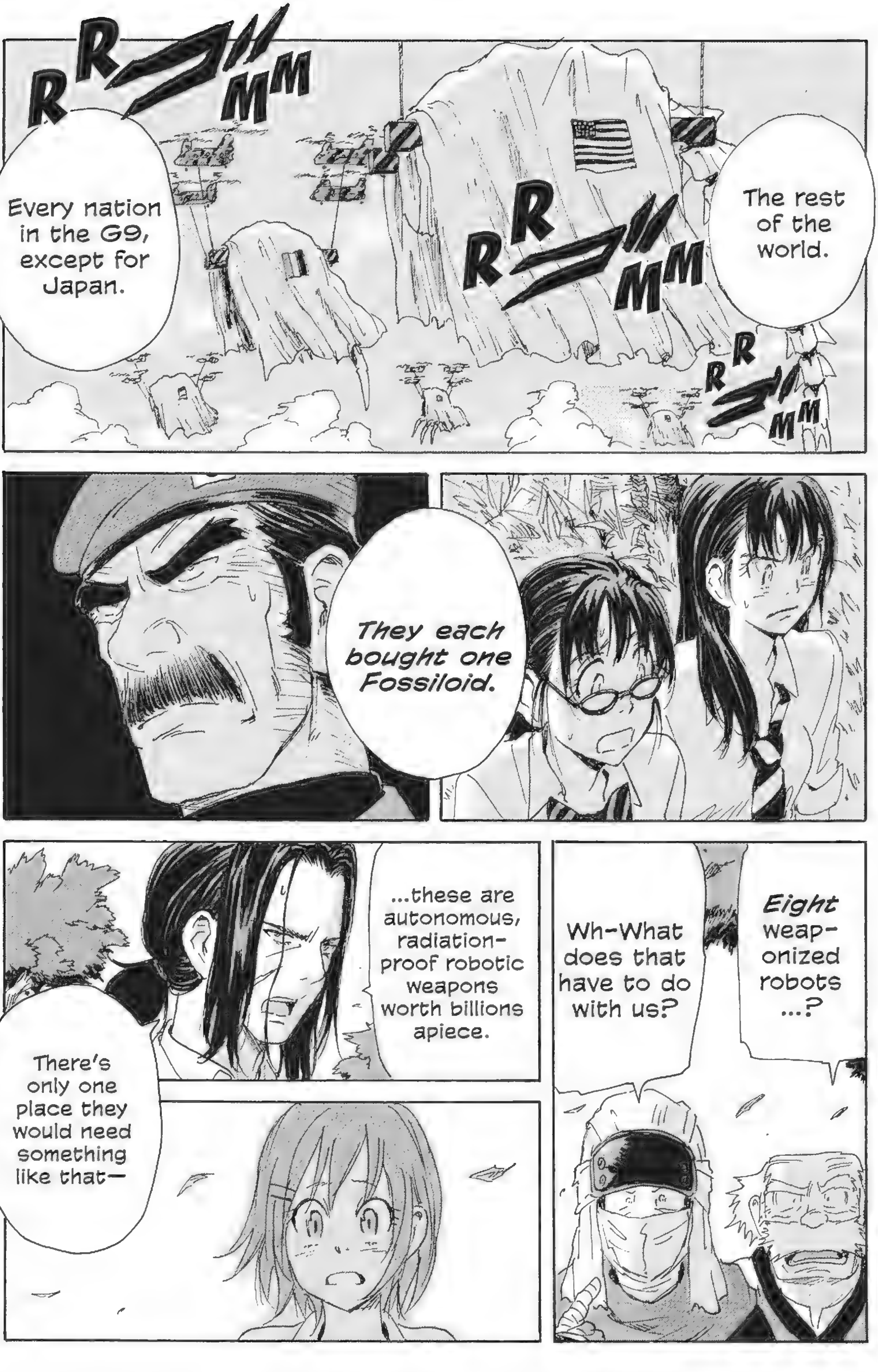

We'll get the *Genryu* to Tokyo.
The question is where we should land.
FLAP
Lemme have a look at a map!
OOF
Scooch, Aoi!
TONK
Any potential locations?
Lessee...
You're coming by water... Tokyo Bay's pretty much the only option.
TOKYO BAY
Look.
Here's Daiba, where the meltdown occurred.
The surrounding area will be polluted with intense radiation...
DAIBA
Wait, Ibara.
We couldn't move very far into that area.
Why not, Taeko?

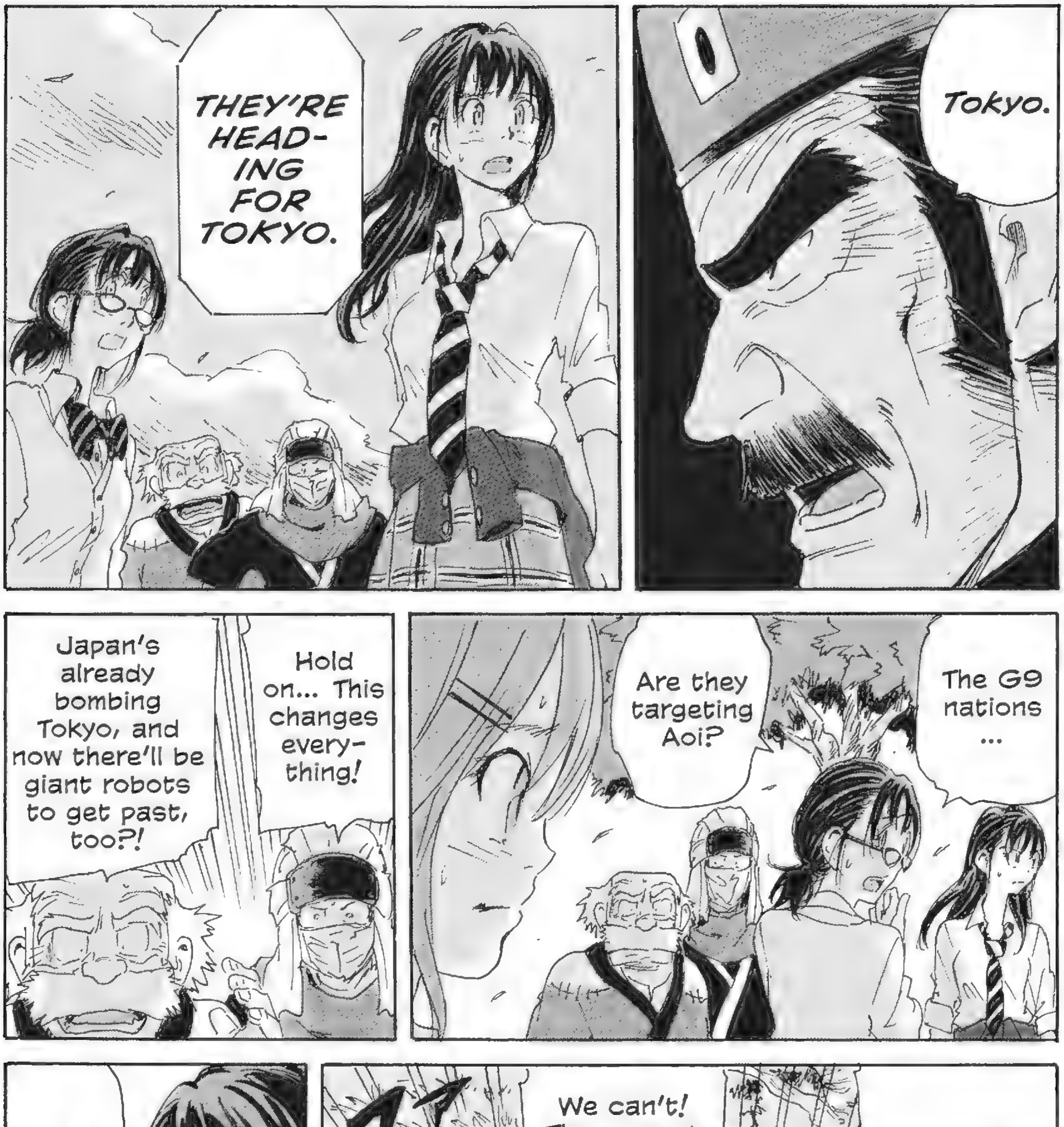

Oh, yeah, I forgot!
Then the survivors can't enter the docks over there.
That's not all, Naruse.
Whoa!
Wh- Where'd you come from?! Don't do that!
SWIP
Necessary measures were taken in Tokyo Bay to prevent the ocean from being contaminated.
Measures...?
The wall.
A massive wall was built from one edge of the bay to the other...
To enclose Daiba.

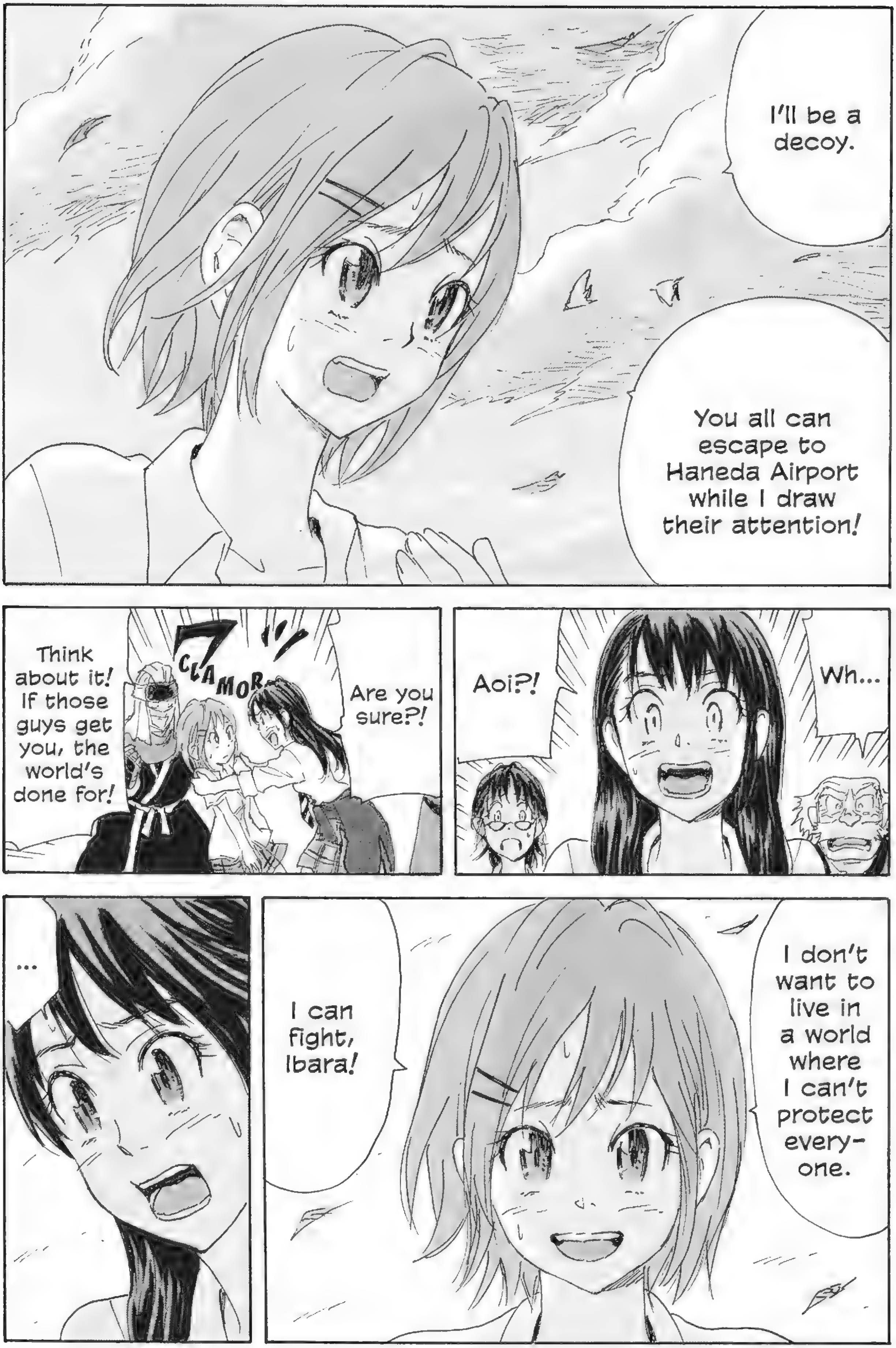

A wall...
Like the wall around Tokyo. I see.
So like, that wall kept the ocean safe?
How peculiar...
How could they build such a large structure, in the middle of so much radiation?
?
Oh, right... Come to think of it, it's crazy that they managed to build the coffin around the power plant.
Isn't it?
This was all completed before we Coppelion were born.
...?
In any case, ship or submarine, no vessel can enter Tokyo Bay.
As such, the landing point will be—
...!!
TOKYO INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT
357
Haneda Airport ?!

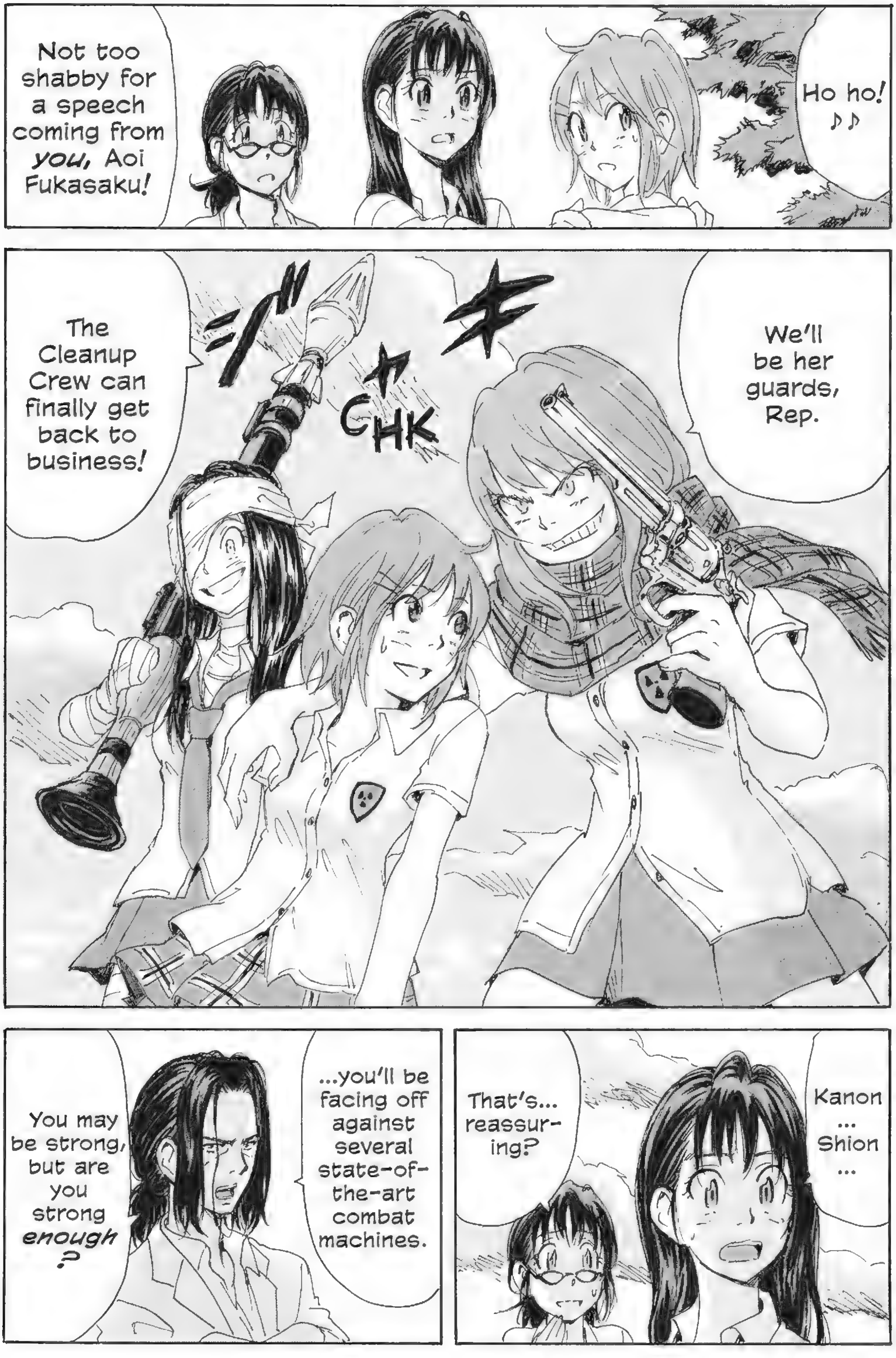

The airport, huh...
Only we'll be taking to the sea, not the skies!
Isn't it a bit far from Shibuya?
We'll escort you there!
Haneda's where you'll leave Tokyo behind!
Alright! The JSDF to the rescue!
That's that! Let's prepare the hazmat suits and oxygen tanks!
CLAMOR
ワァ
CLAMOR
ワァ
ZSH
Representative!
?!
Mr. Asimov?
HUFF
HUFF
What happened?!

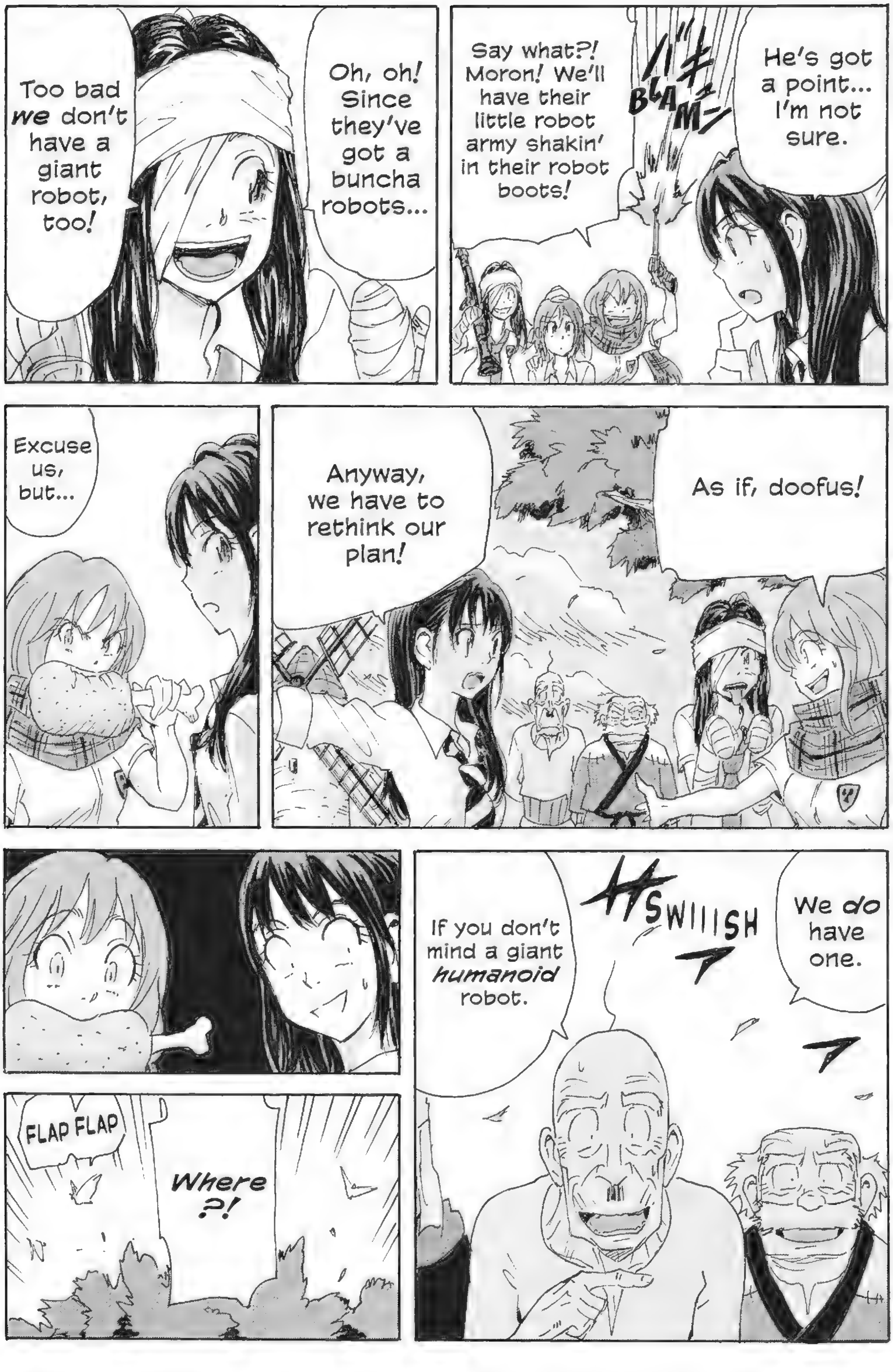

Things may have taken a turn for the worse.
I have some disturbing information.
While I was investigating Yellow Cake's movements ...
I came across a list of the company's product sales.
PRODUCT SALES?
YES. IT DETAILS WHAT YELLOW CAKE SELLS, AND TO WHOM.
According to the list...
They sold eight combat Fossiloids several days ago.
Fossiloids?!
Like, those dinosaur skeleton robot thingies?!
...
And the buyers?

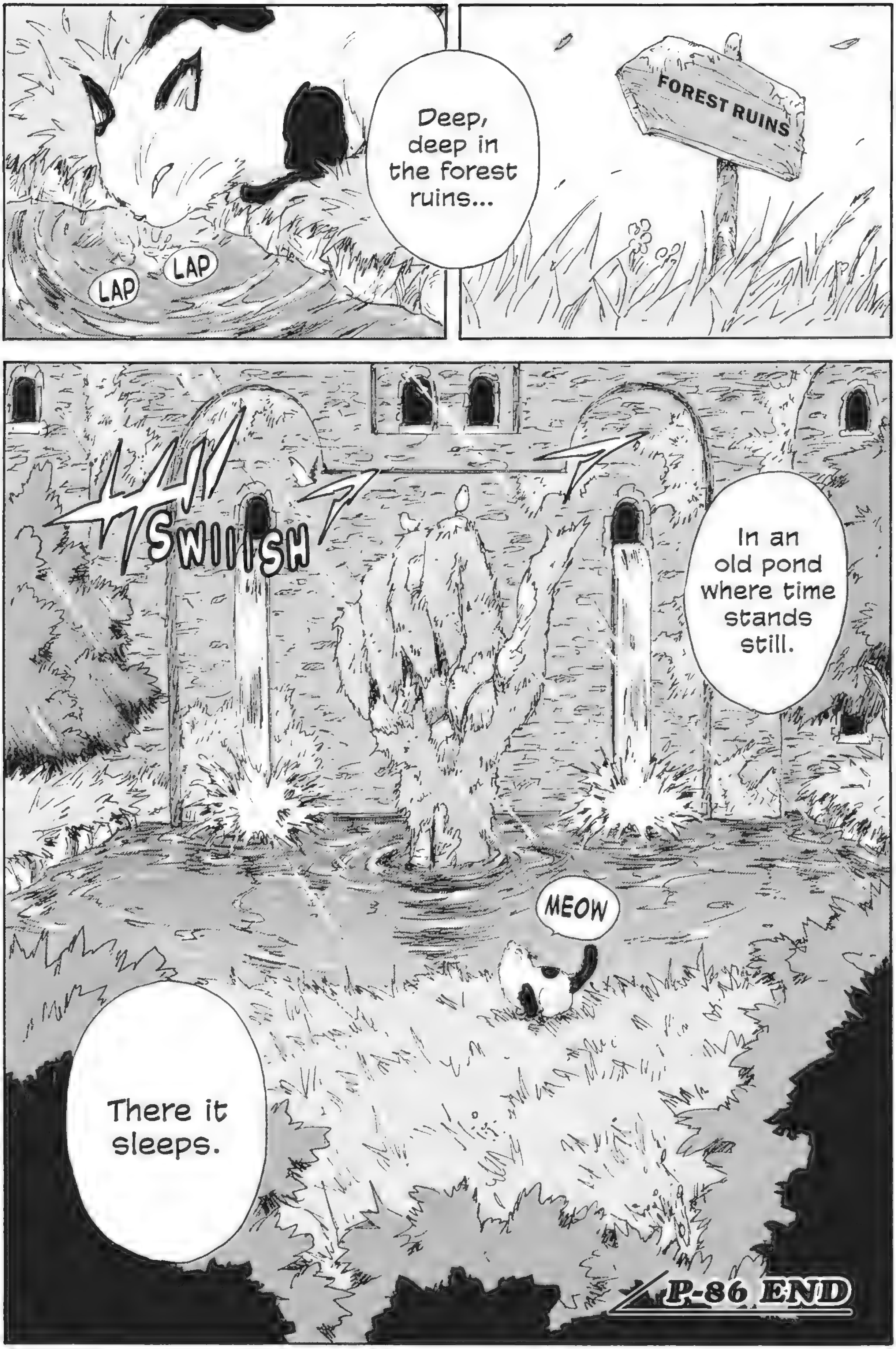

RRRMM
The rest of the world.
RRRMM
Every nation in the G9, except for Japan.
RRRMM
They each bought one Fossiloid.
Eight weaponized robots ...?
Wh-What does that have to do with us?
...these are autonomous, radiation-proof robotic weapons worth billions apiece.
There's only one place they would need something like that—


Tokyo.
THEY'RE HEADING FOR TOKYO.
The G9 nations...
Are they targeting Aoi?
Hold on... This changes everything!
Japan's already bombing Tokyo, and now there'll be giant robots to get past, too?!
How will we make it all the way to Haneda?!
CLAMOR
We can't! The moment we go aboveground, we're doomed!
CLAMOR
Then we're back to square one!
It's okay, everyone!

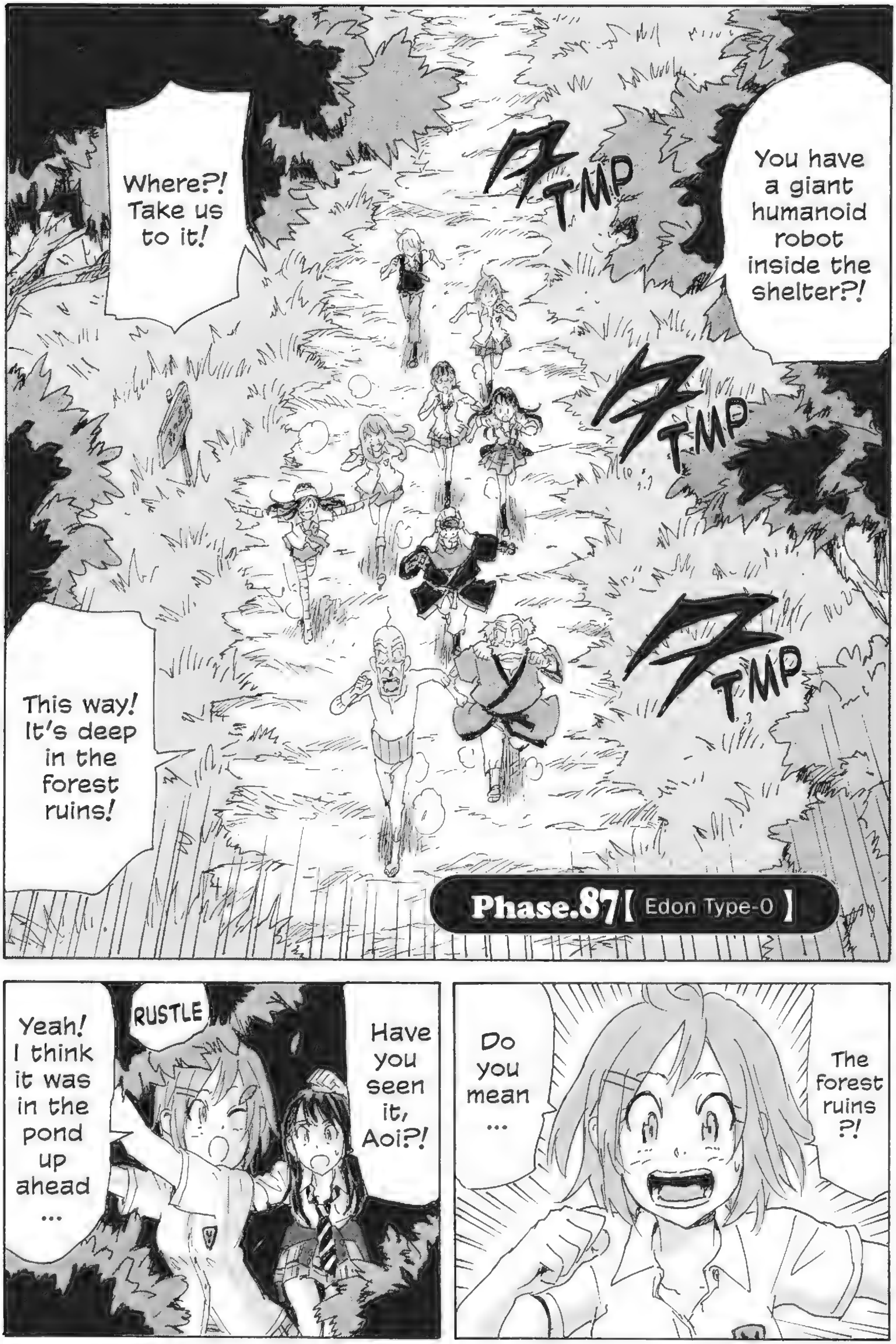

I'll be a decoy.
You all can escape to Haneda Airport while I draw their attention!
Wh...
Aoi?!
Are you sure?!
CLAMOR
Think about it! If those guys get you, the world's done for!
I don't want to live in a world where I can't protect every-one.
I can fight, Ibara!
...

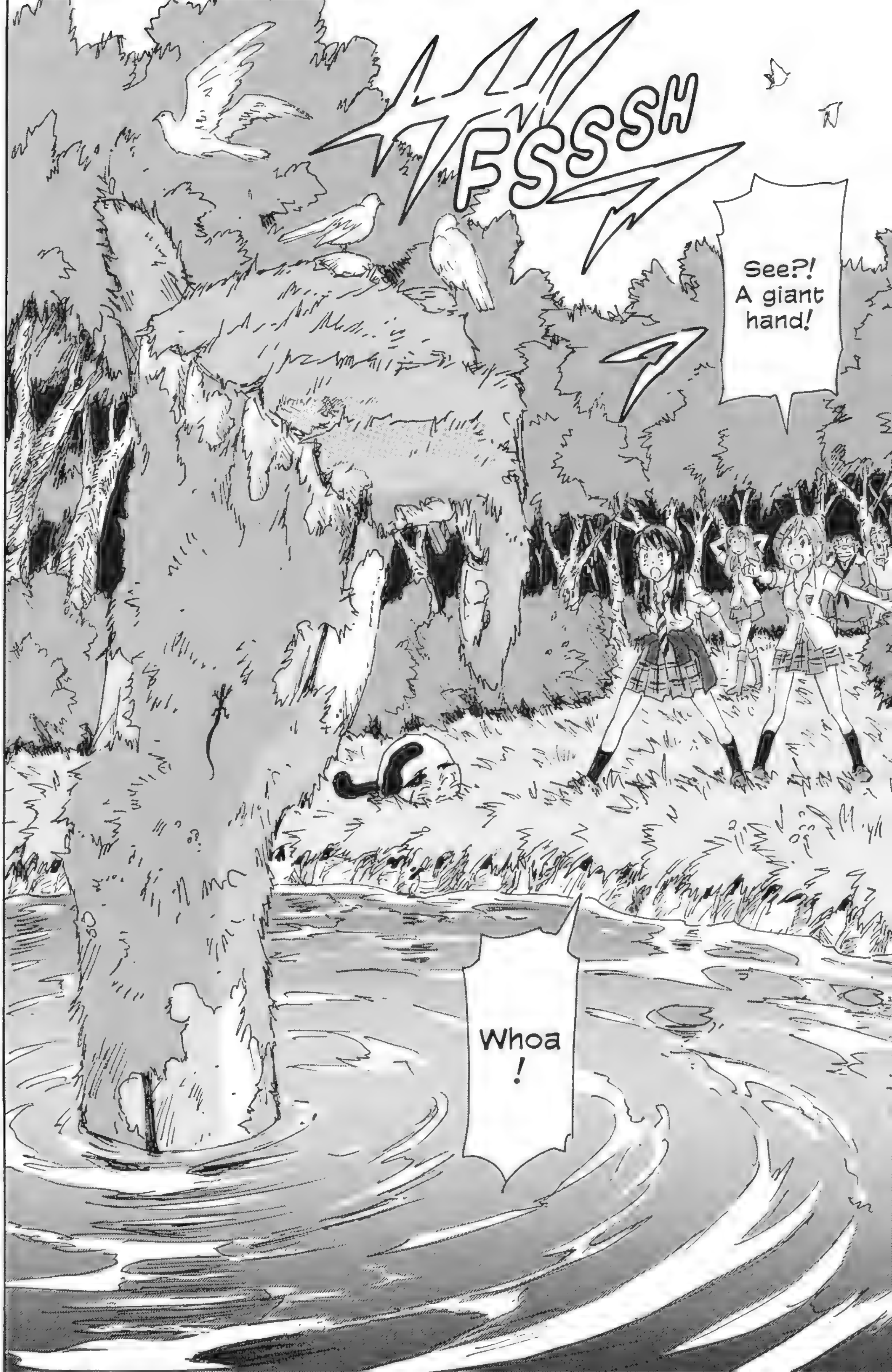

Ho ho! ♪♪
Not too shabby for a speech coming from *you,* Aoi Fukasaku!
We'll be her guards, Rep.
CHK
The Cleanup Crew can finally get back to business!
Kanon ... Shion ...
That's... reassuring?
...you'll be facing off against several state-of-the-art combat machines.
You may be strong, but are you strong *enough* ?

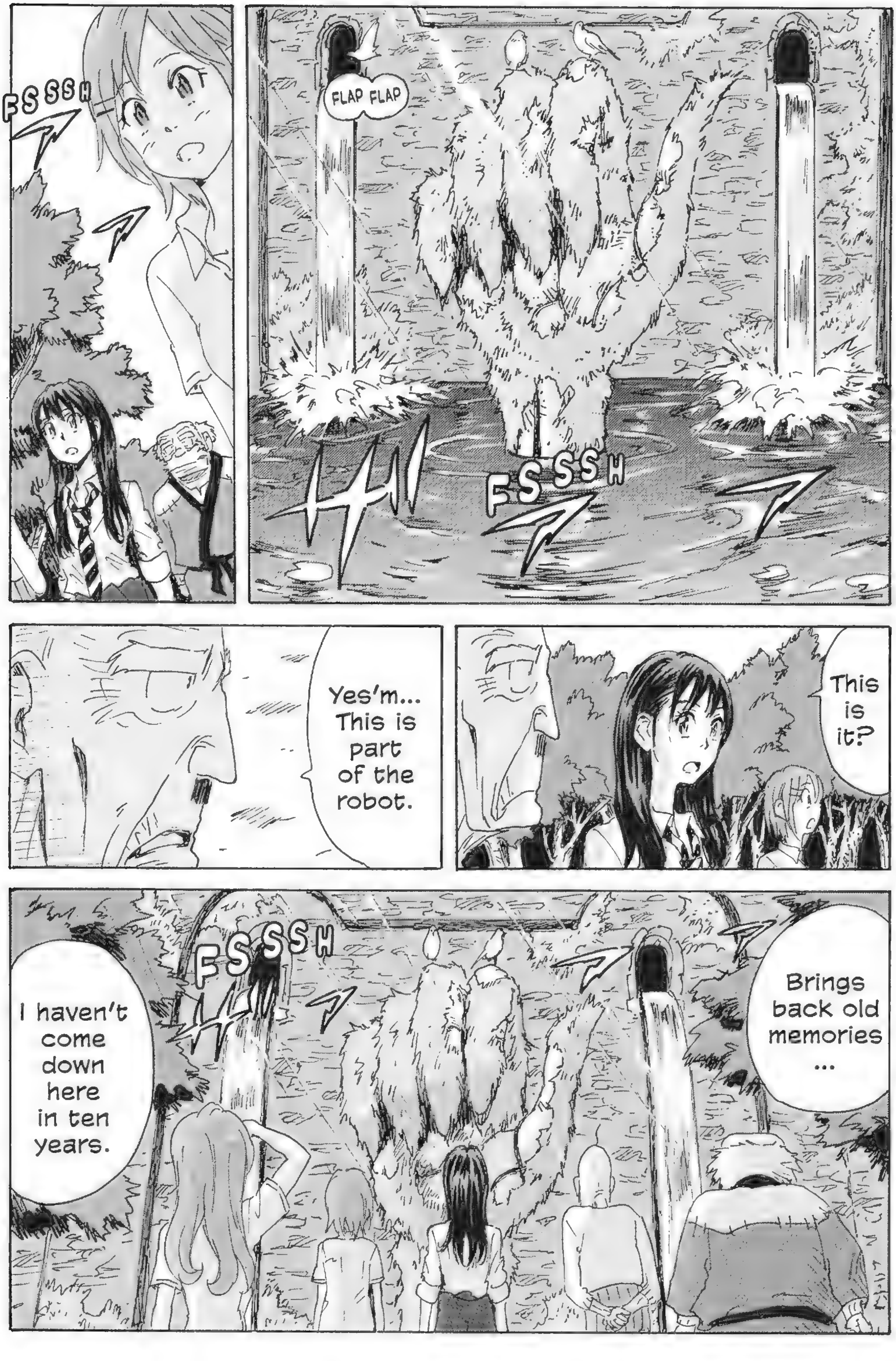

He's got a point... I'm not sure.
Say what?! Moron! We'll have their little robot army shakin' in their robot boots!
BLAM
Oh, oh! Since they've got a buncha robots...
Too bad *we* don't have a giant robot, too!
As if, doofus!
Anyway, we have to rethink our plan!
Excuse us, but...
We *do* have one.
SWIIISH
If you don't mind a giant *humanoid* robot.
Where ?!
FLAP FLAP

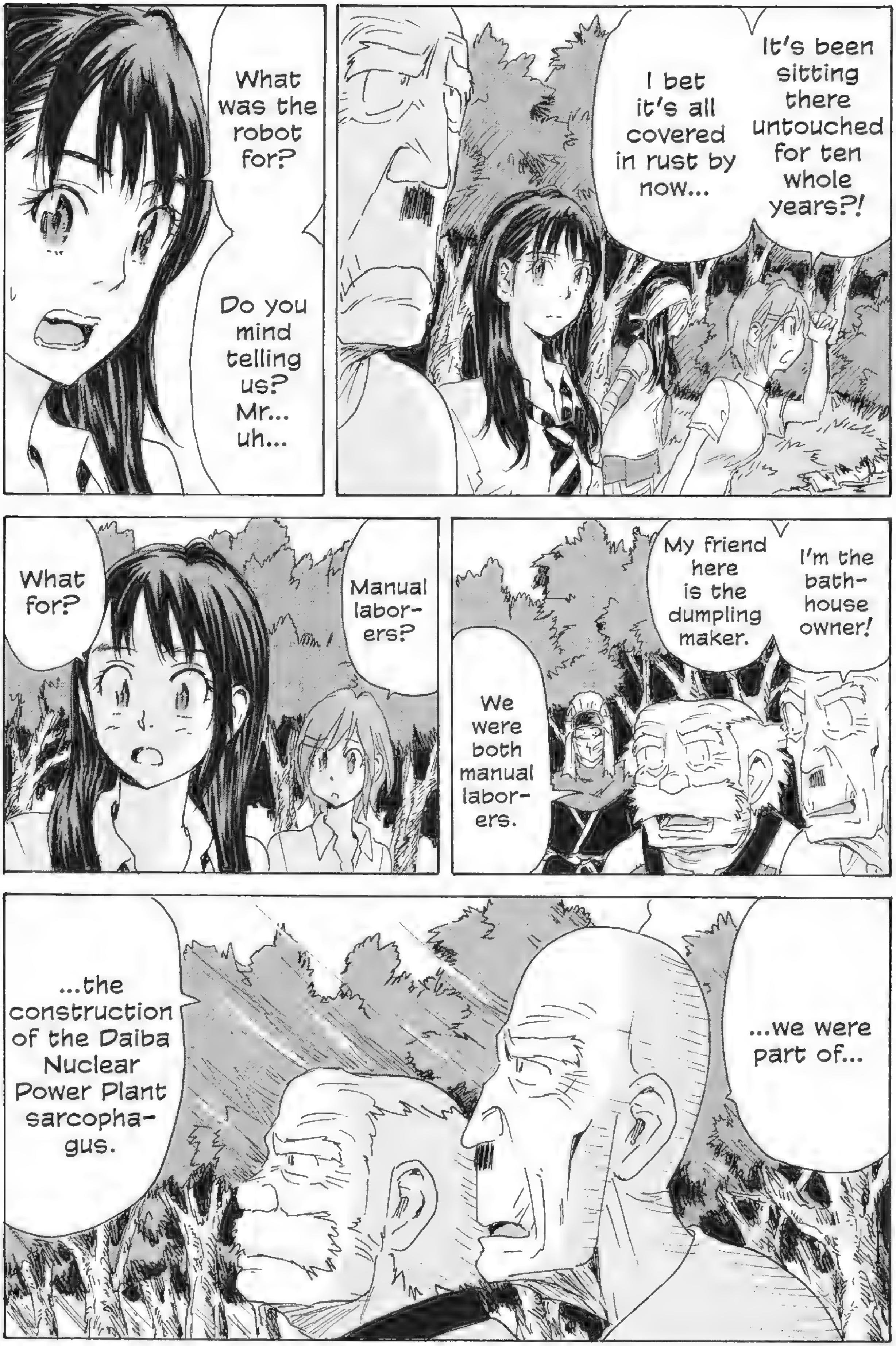

LAP
LAP
Deep, deep in the forest ruins...
FOREST RUINS
SWIIISH
In an old pond where time stands still.
MEOW
There it sleeps.
P-86 END

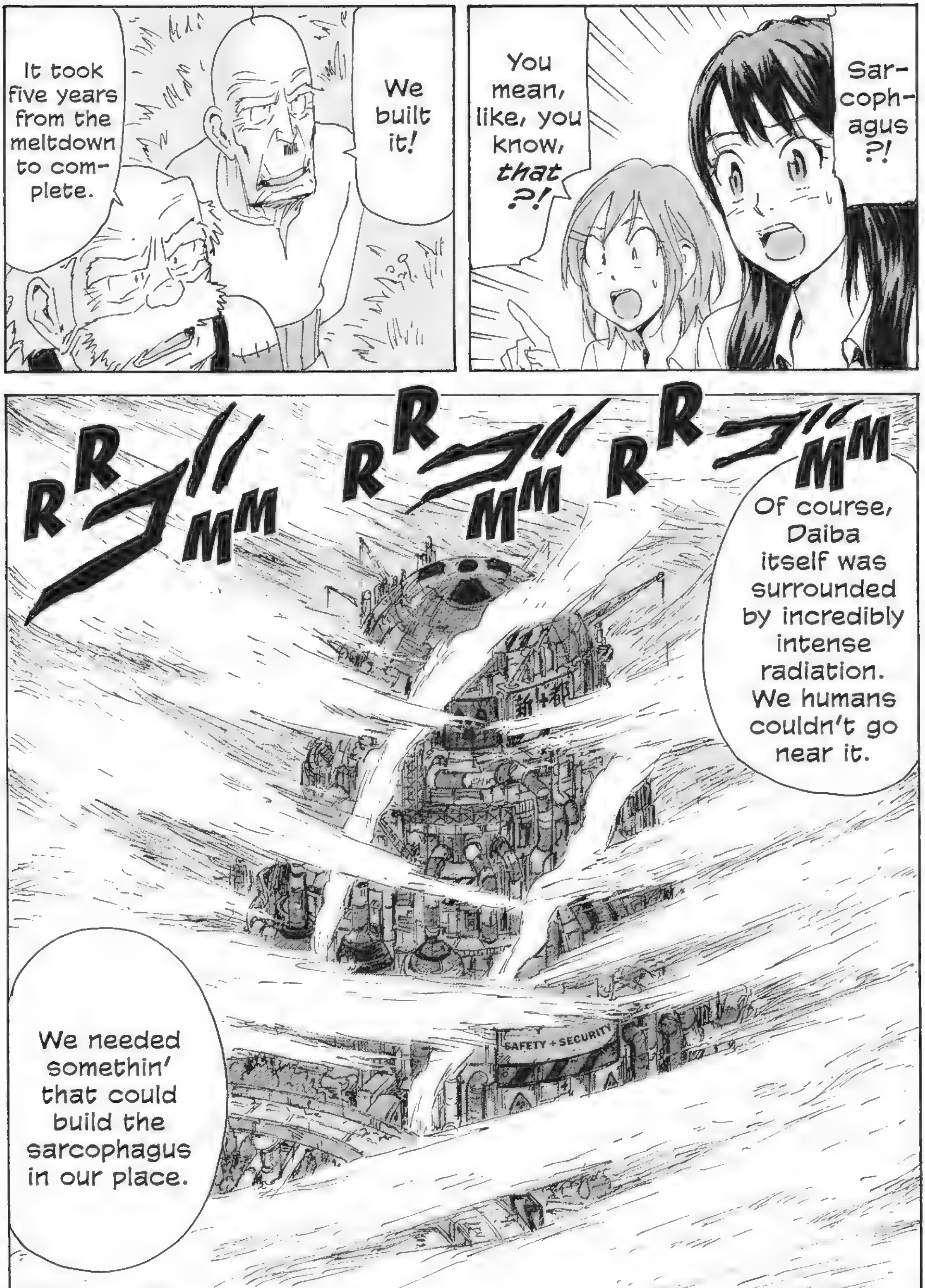
Phase.87【 Edon Type-0 】

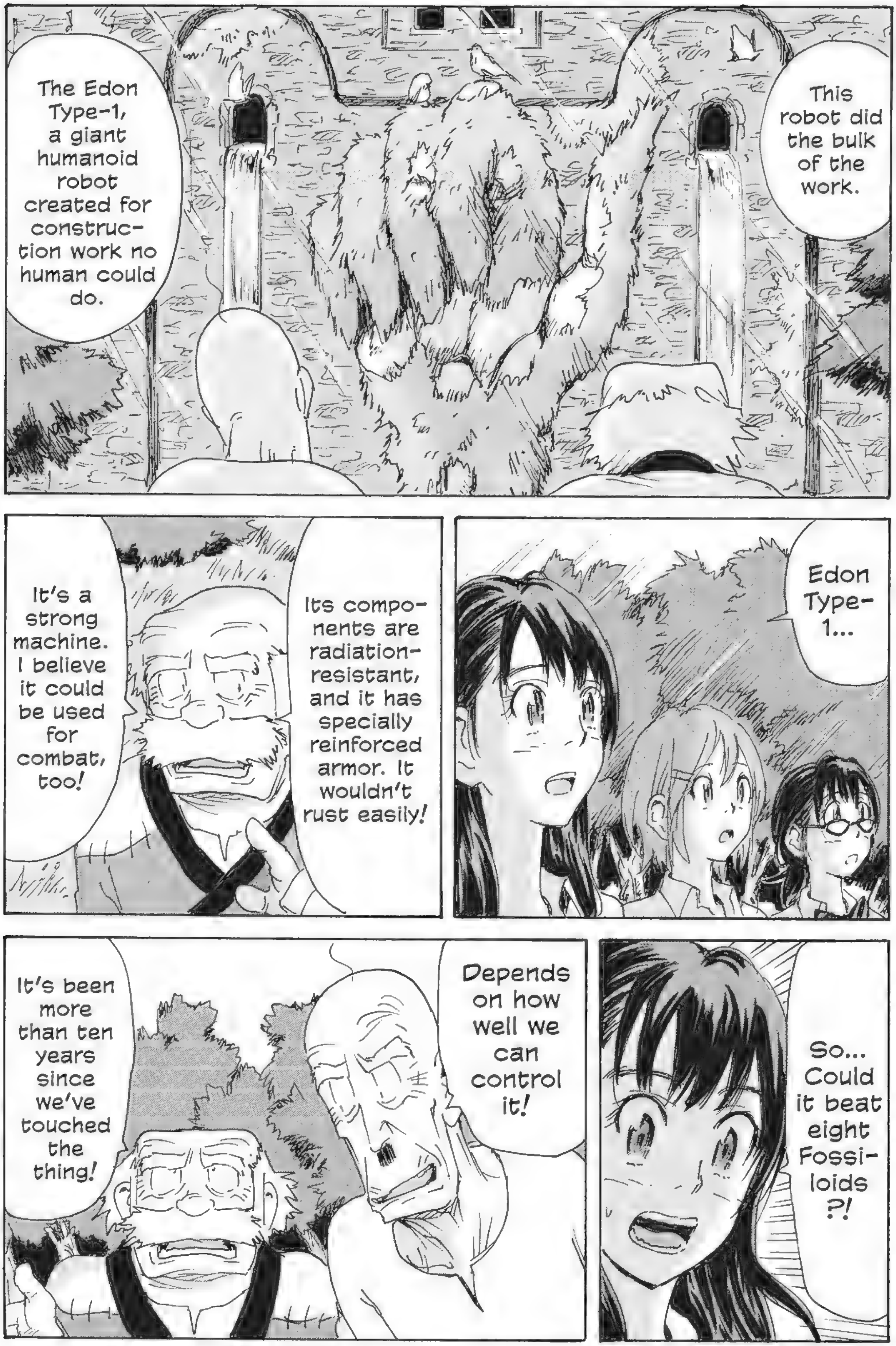

You have a giant humanoid robot inside the shelter?!
TMP
TMP
TMP
Where?! Take us to it!
This way! It's deep in the forest ruins!
The forest ruins?!
Do you mean ...
Have you seen it, Aoi?!
RUSTLE
Yeah! I think it was in the pond up ahead ...

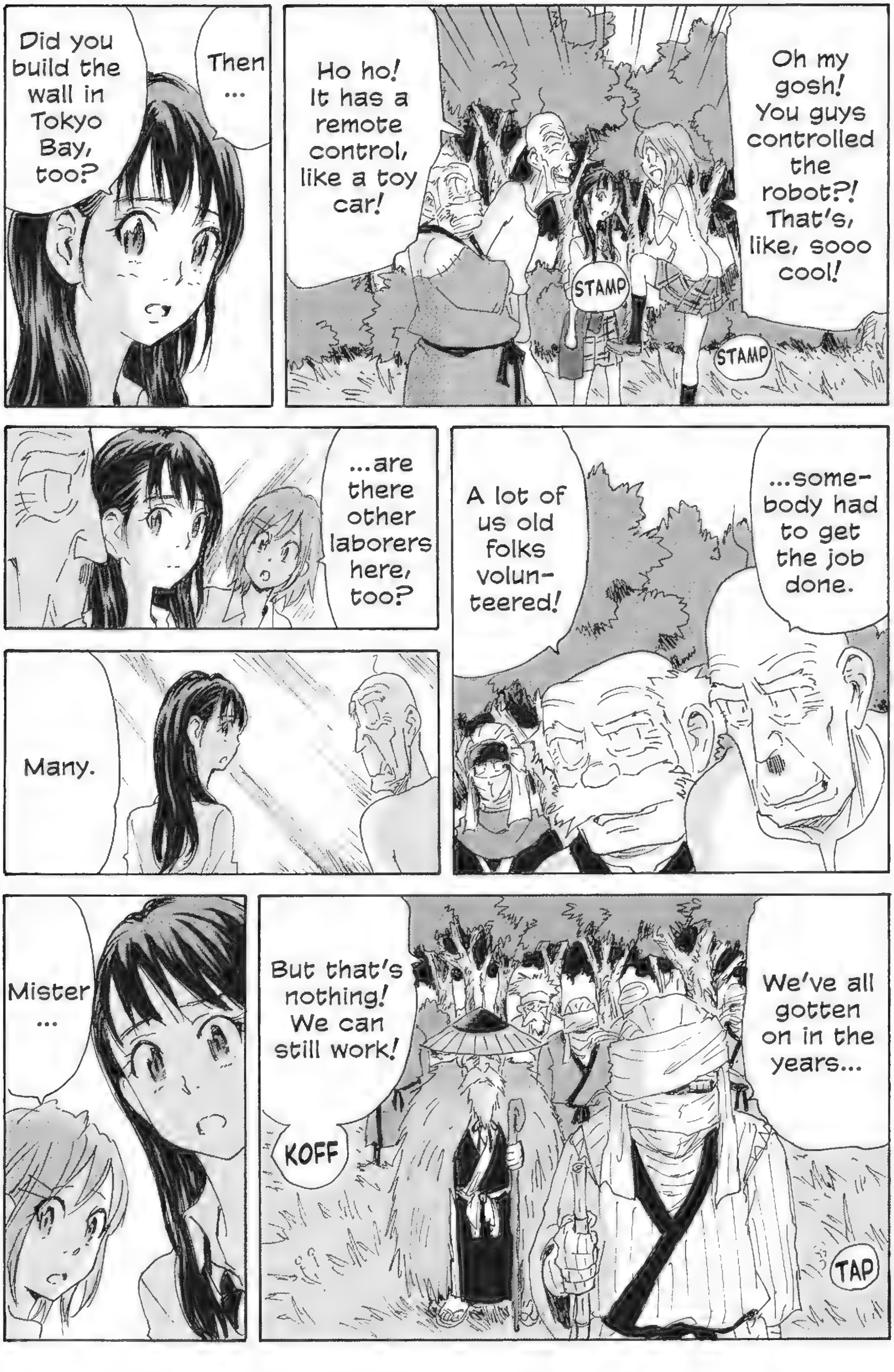

FSSSH
See?! A giant hand!
Whoa!

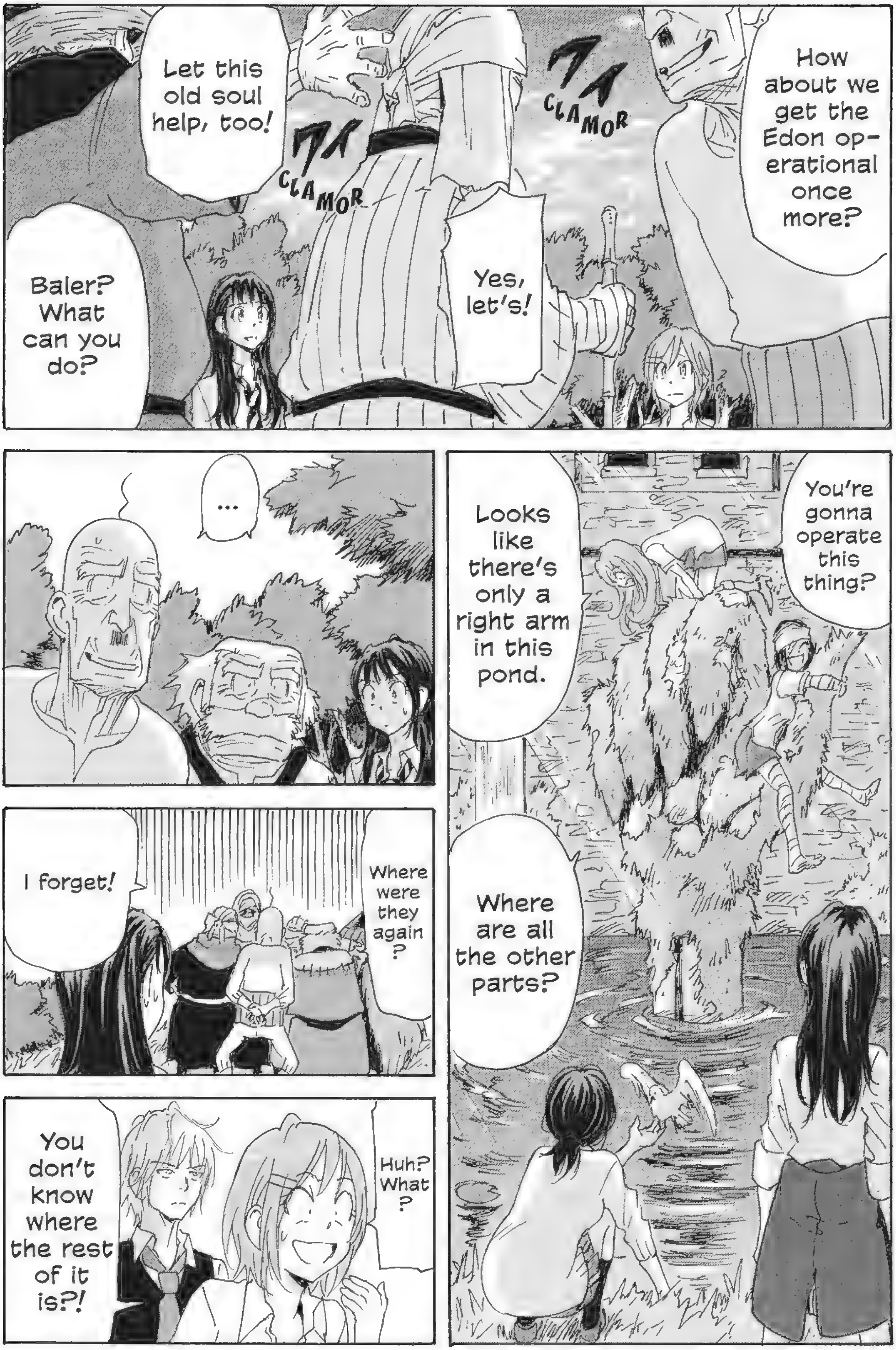

FLAP FLAP
FSSSH
FSSSH
This is it?
Yes'm... This is part of the robot.
Brings back old memories ...
FSSSH
I haven't come down here in ten years.

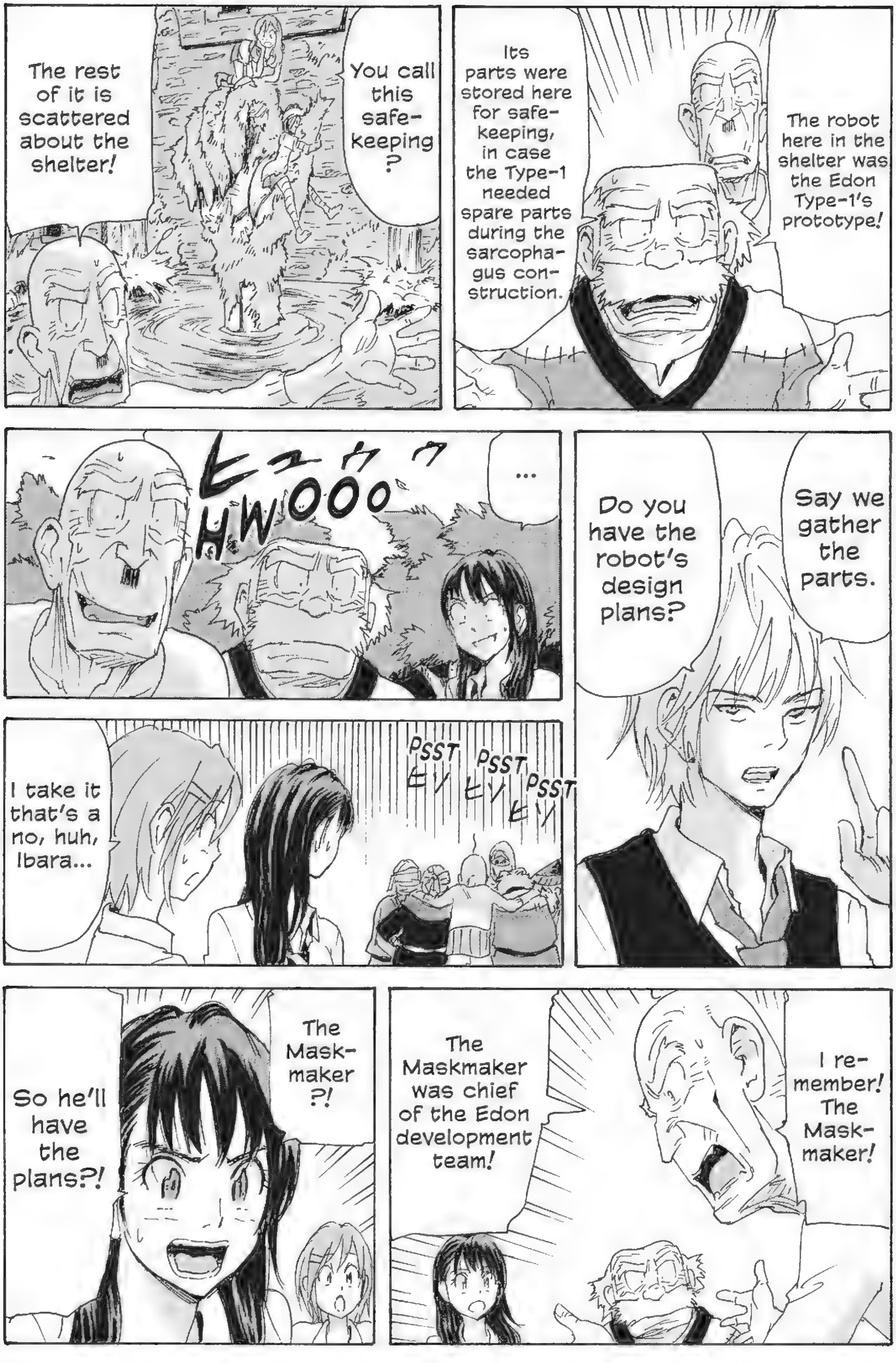

It's been sitting there untouched for ten whole years?!
I bet it's all covered in rust by now...
What was the robot for?
Do you mind telling us? Mr... uh...
I'm the bathhouse owner!
My friend here is the dumpling maker.
We were both manual laborers.
Manual laborers?
What for?
...we were part of...
...the construction of the Daiba Nuclear Power Plant sarcophagus.

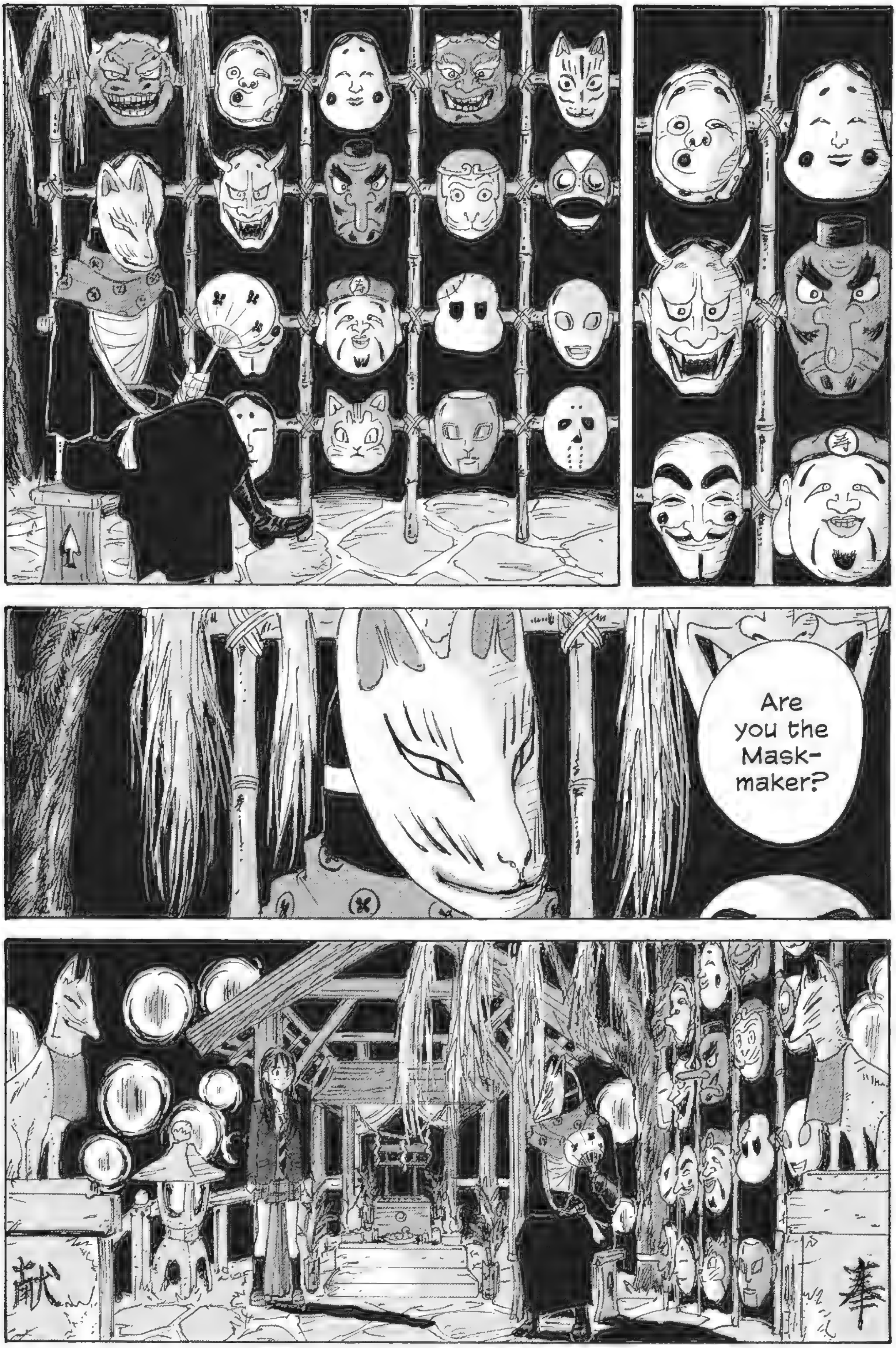

Sar-cophagus?!
You mean, like, you know, *that*?!
We built it!
It took five years from the meltdown to complete.
RRMM
RRMM
RRMM
Of course, Daiba itself was surrounded by incredibly intense radiation. We humans couldn't go near it.
SAFETY + SECURITY
We needed somethin' that could build the sarcophagus in our place.

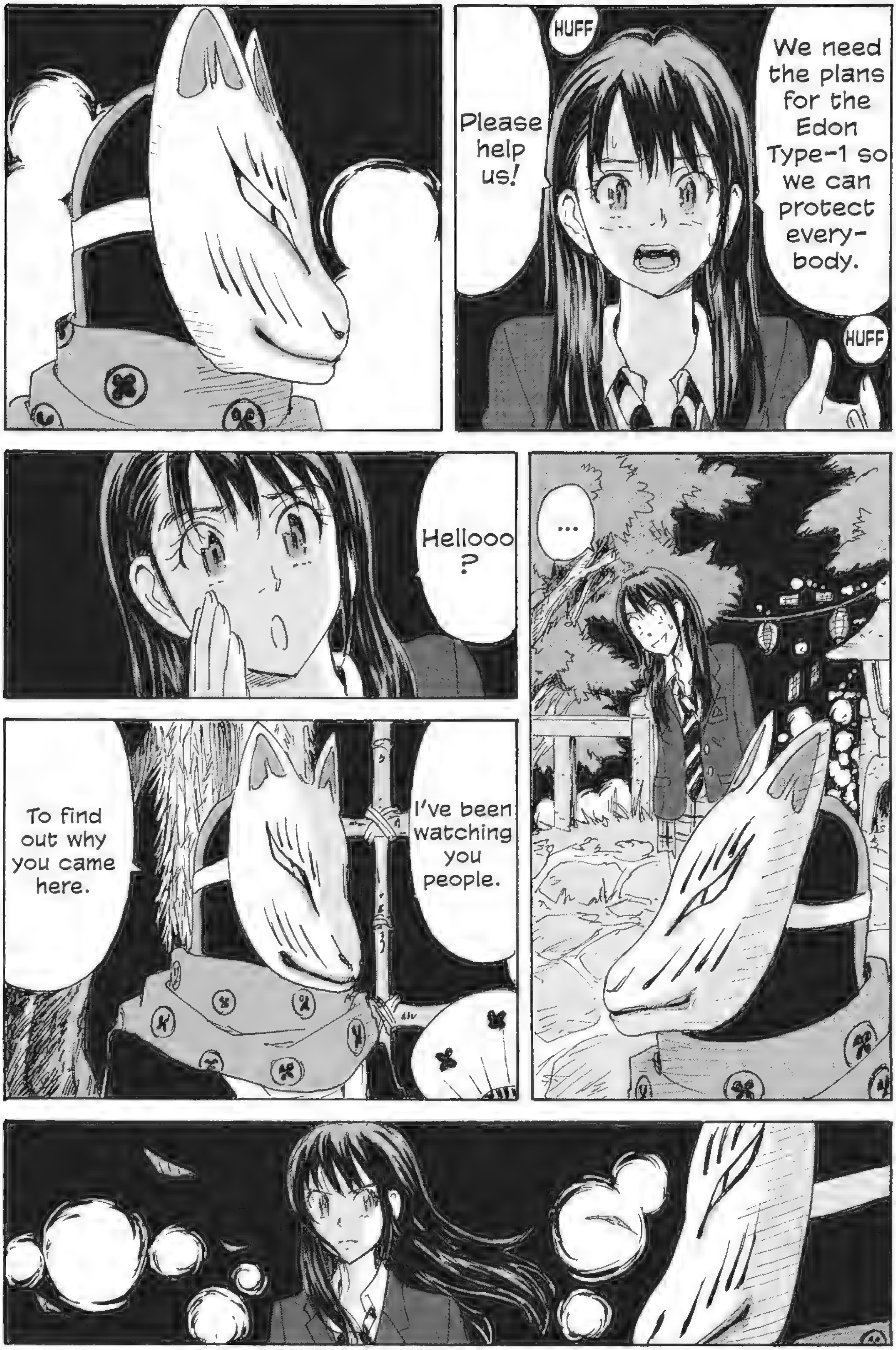

This robot did the bulk of the work.
The Edon Type-1, a giant humanoid robot created for construction work no human could do.
Edon Type-1...
Its components are radiation-resistant, and it has specially reinforced armor. It wouldn't rust easily!
It's a strong machine. I believe it could be used for combat, too!
So... Could it beat eight Fossiloids?!
Depends on how well we can control it!
It's been more than ten years since we've touched the thing!

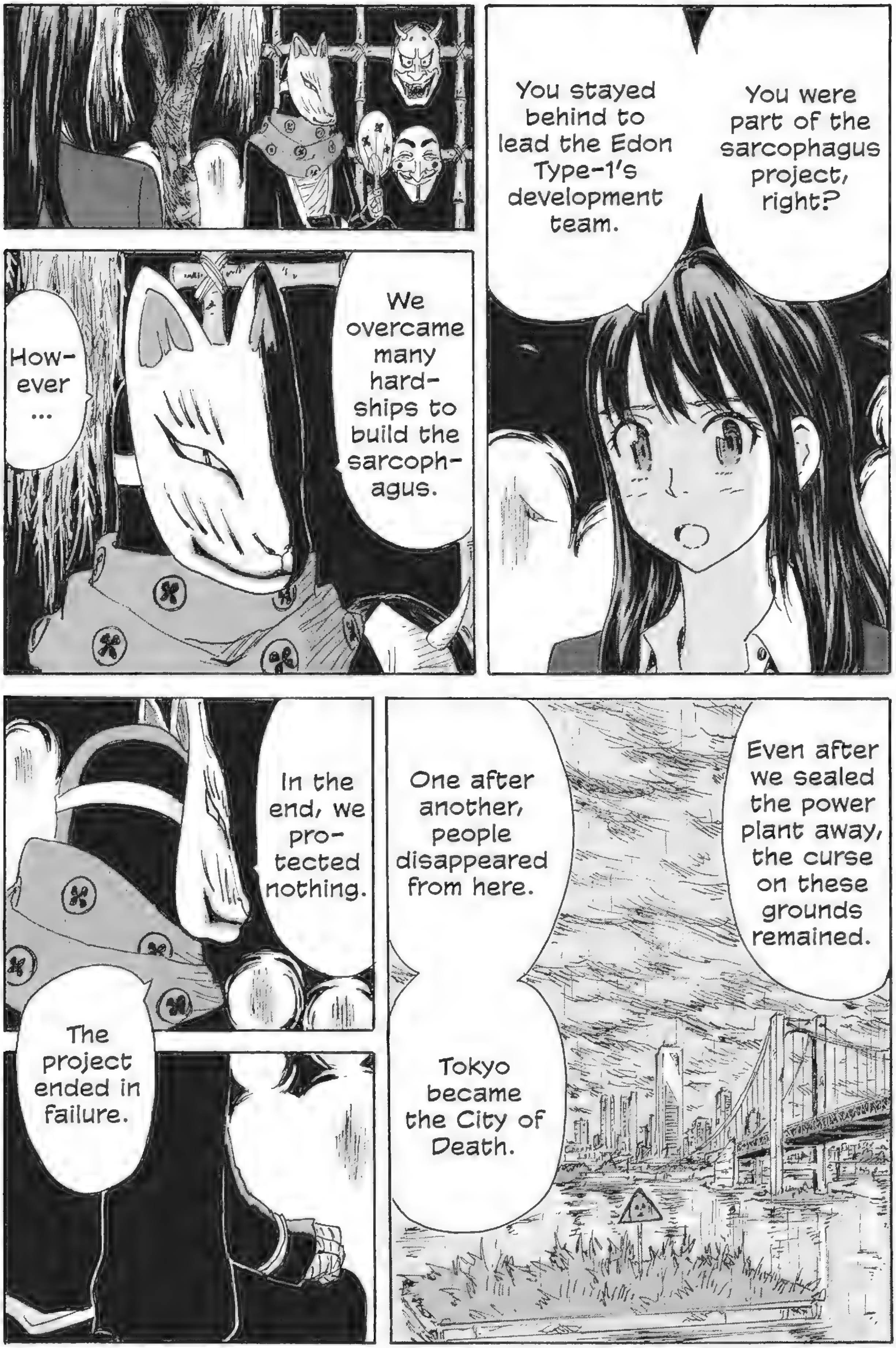

Oh my gosh! You guys controlled the robot?! That's, like, sooo cool!
STAMP
STAMP
Ho ho! It has a remote control, like a toy car!
Then ...
Did you build the wall in Tokyo Bay, too?
...somebody had to get the job done.
A lot of us old folks volunteered!
...are there other laborers here, too?
Many.
We've all gotten on in the years...
TAP
But that's nothing! We can still work!
KOFF
Mister ...

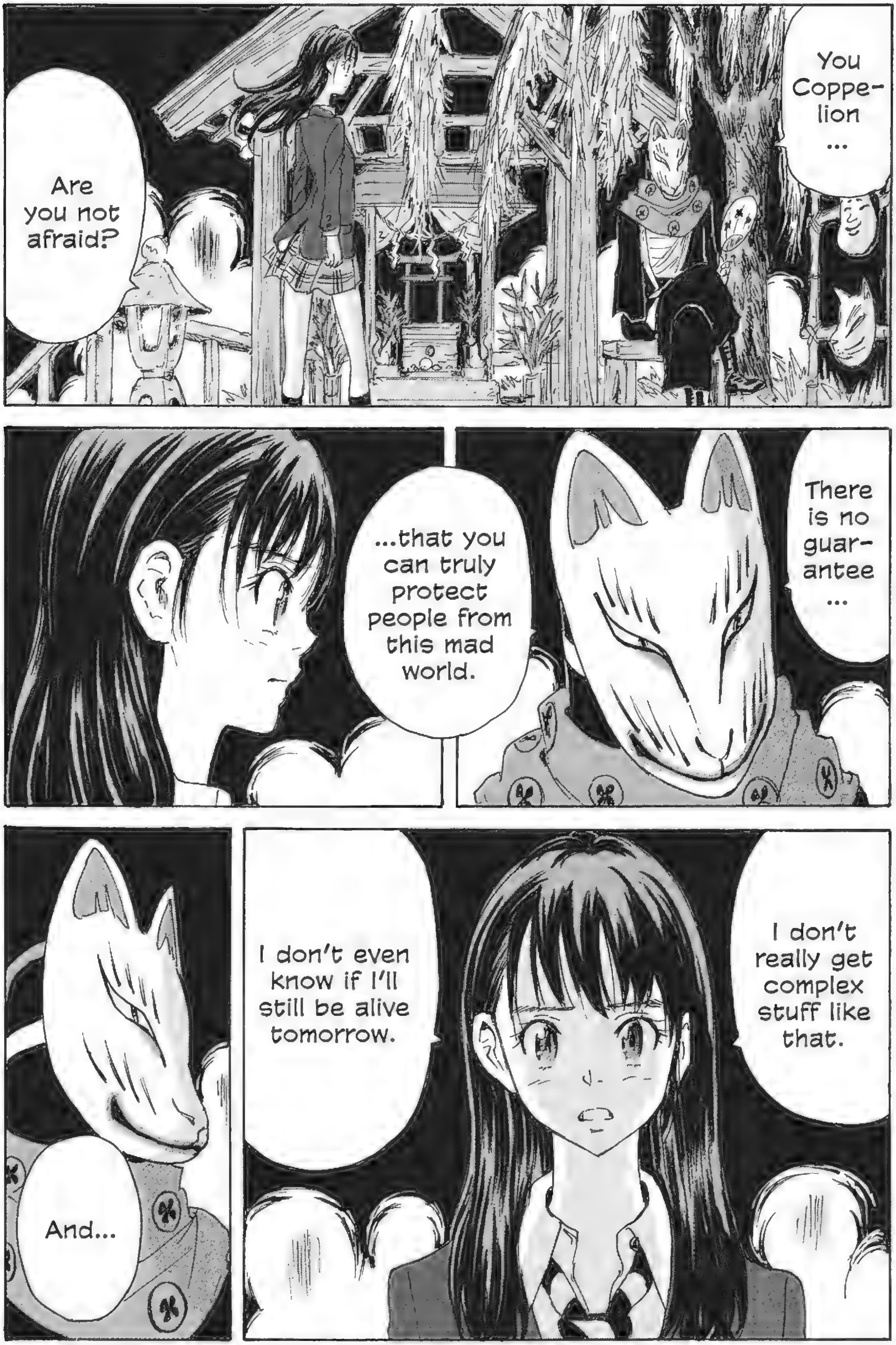

How about we get the Edon operational once more?
ワイ CLAMOR
Yes, let's!
ワイ CLAMOR
Let this old soul help, too!
Baler? What can you do?
You're gonna operate this thing?
Looks like there's only a right arm in this pond.
Where are all the other parts?
...
Where were they again?
I forget!
Huh? What?
You don't know where the rest of it is?!

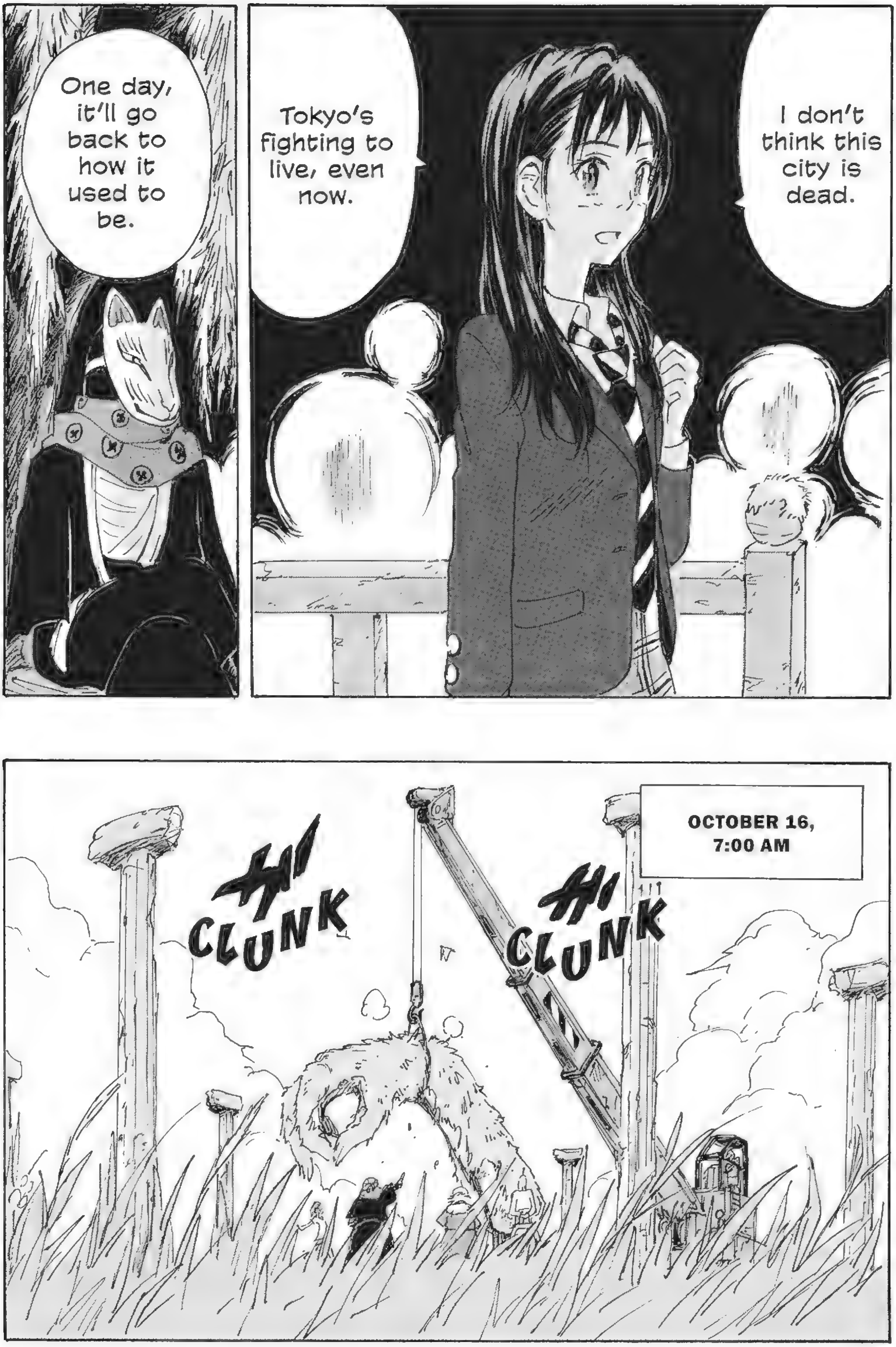

The robot here in the shelter was the Edon Type-1's prototype!
Its parts were stored here for safekeeping, in case the Type-1 needed spare parts during the sarcophagus construction.
You call this safekeeping?
The rest of it is scattered about the shelter!
Say we gather the parts.
Do you have the robot's design plans?
...
ヒューウウ
HWOOO
PSST ヒソ
PSST ヒソ
PSST ヒソ
I take it that's a no, huh, Ibara...
I remember! The Maskmaker!
The Maskmaker was chief of the Edon development team!
The Maskmaker?!
So he'll have the plans?!

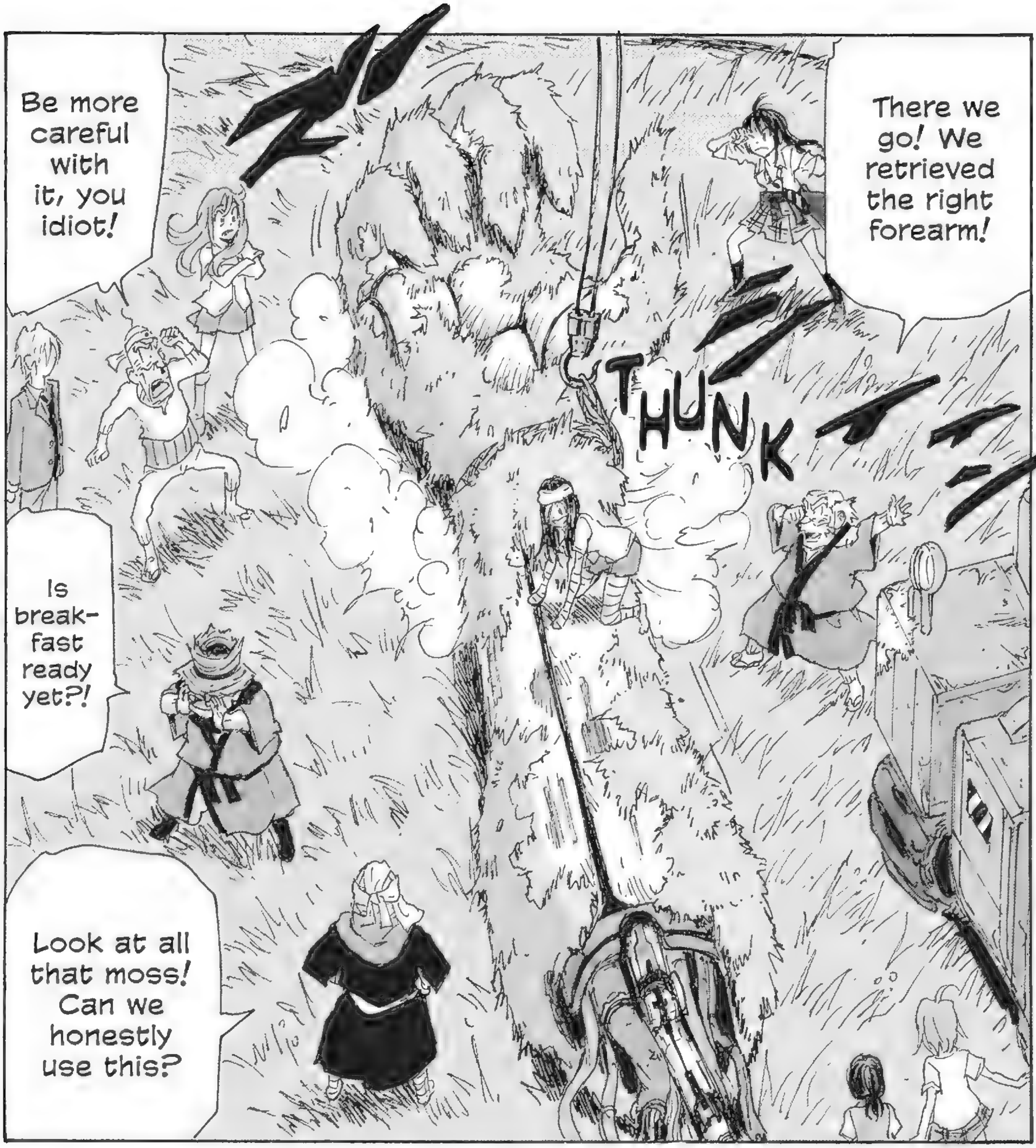

Are you the Mask-maker?
献
奉

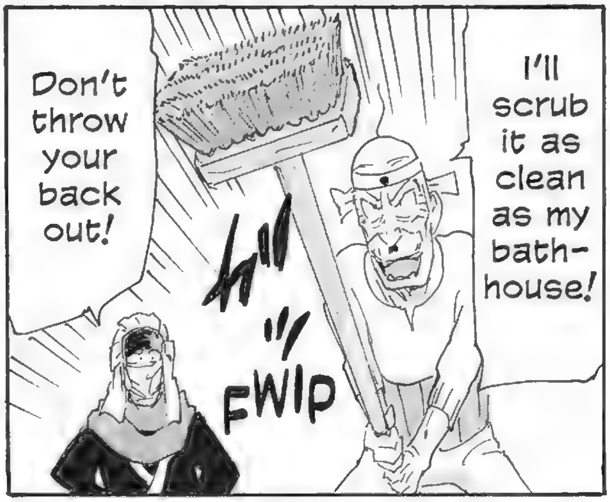

HUFF
We need the plans for the Edon Type-1 so we can protect every-body.
Please help us!
HUFF
...
Hellooo?
I've been watching you people.
To find out why you came here.

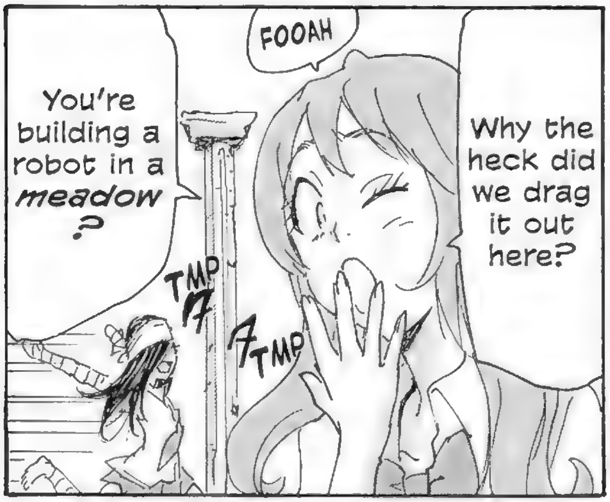

You were part of the sarcophagus project, right?
You stayed behind to lead the Edon Type-1's development team.
We overcame many hardships to build the sarcophagus.
However...
Even after we sealed the power plant away, the curse on these grounds remained.
One after another, people disappeared from here.
Tokyo became the City of Death.
In the end, we protected nothing.
The project ended in failure.

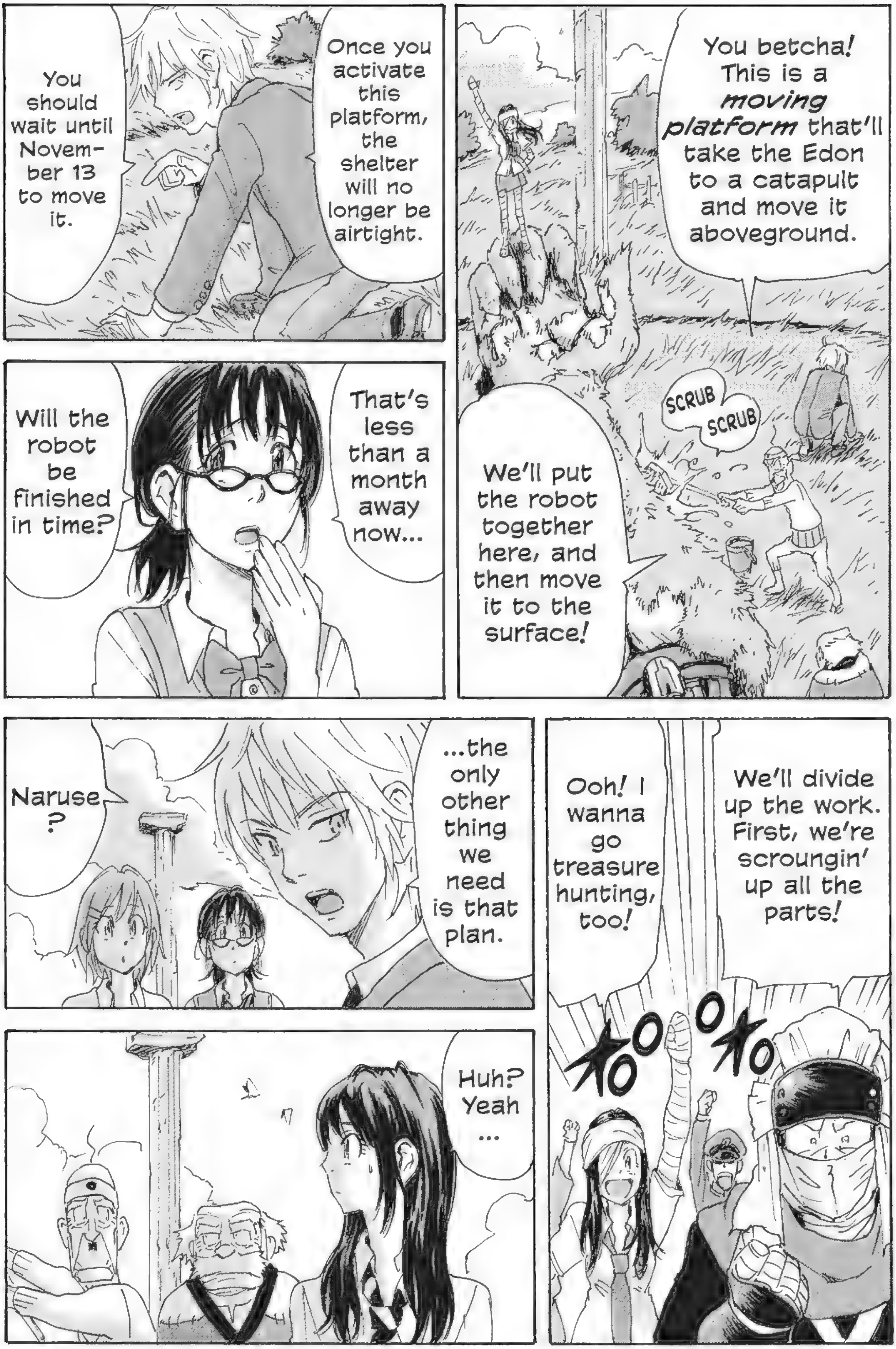

You Coppelion...
Are you not afraid?
There is no guarantee...
...that you can truly protect people from this mad world.
I don't really get complex stuff like that.
I don't even know if I'll still be alive tomorrow.
And...

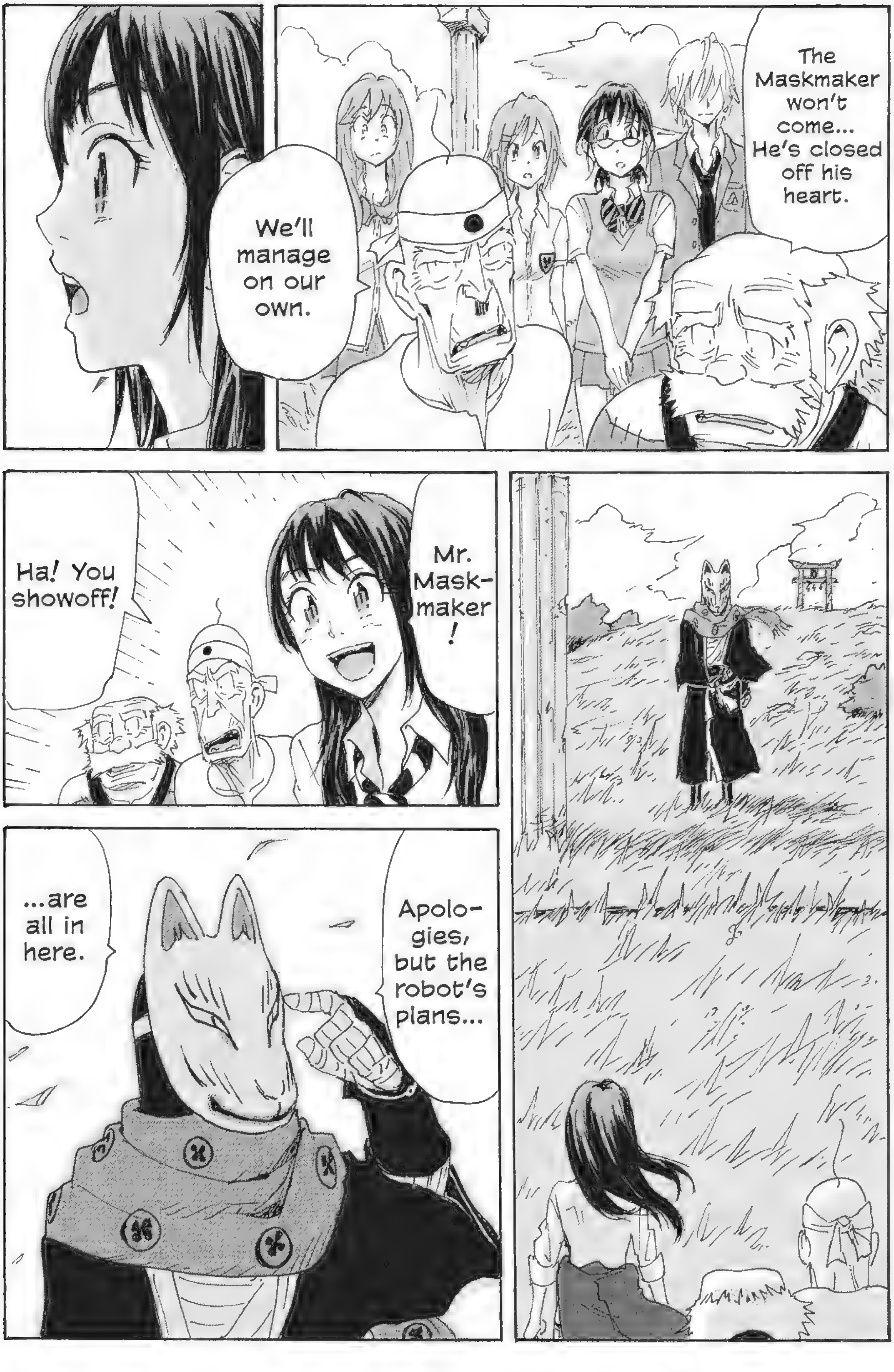

I don't think this city is dead.
Tokyo's fighting to live, even now.
One day, it'll go back to how it used to be.
OCTOBER 16, 7:00 AM
CLUNK
CLUNK

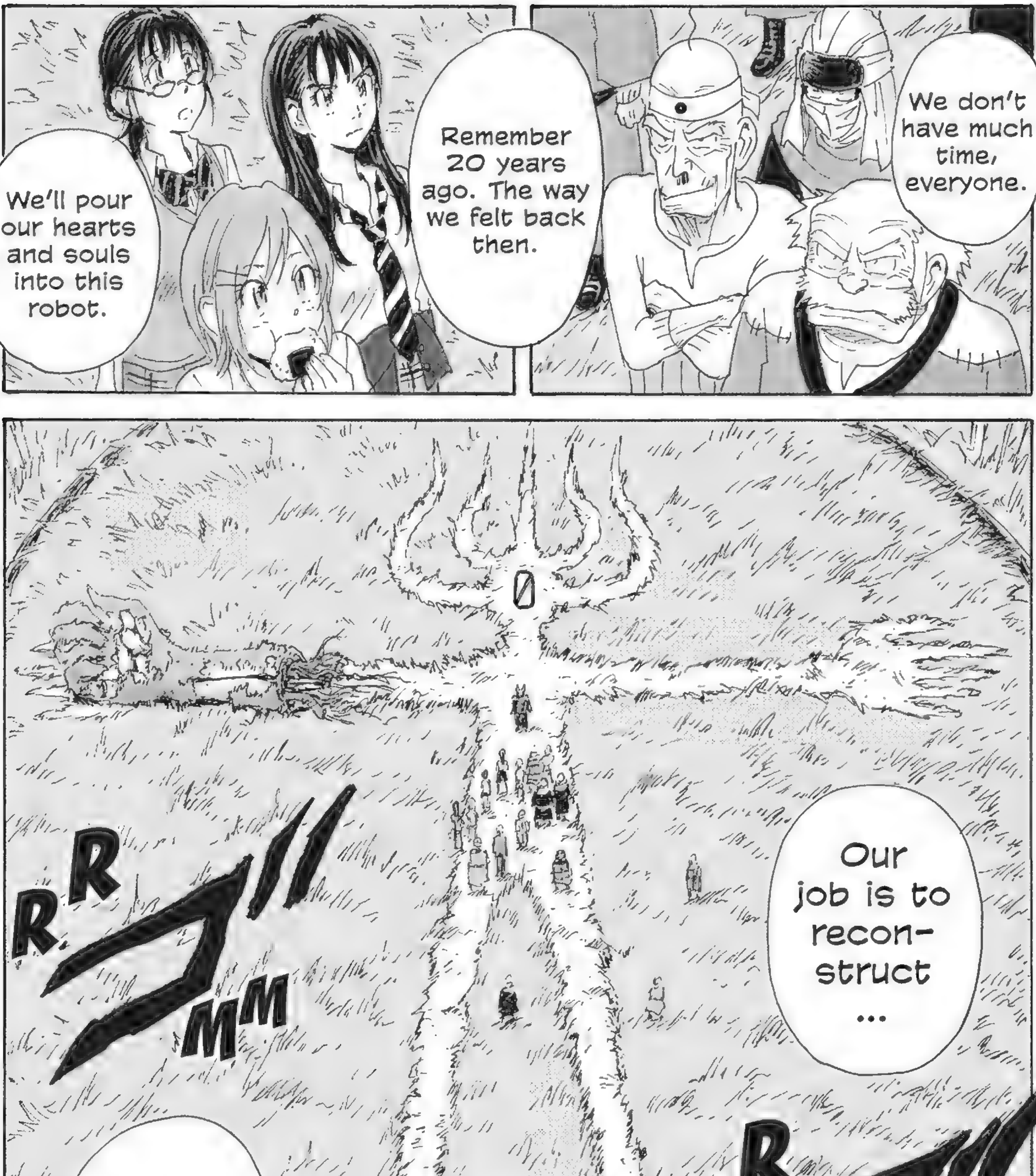

There we go! We retrieved the right forearm!
THUNK
Be more careful with it, you idiot!
Is breakfast ready yet?!
Look at all that moss! Can we honestly use this?


I'll scrub it as clean as my bathhouse!
FWIP
Don't throw your back out!

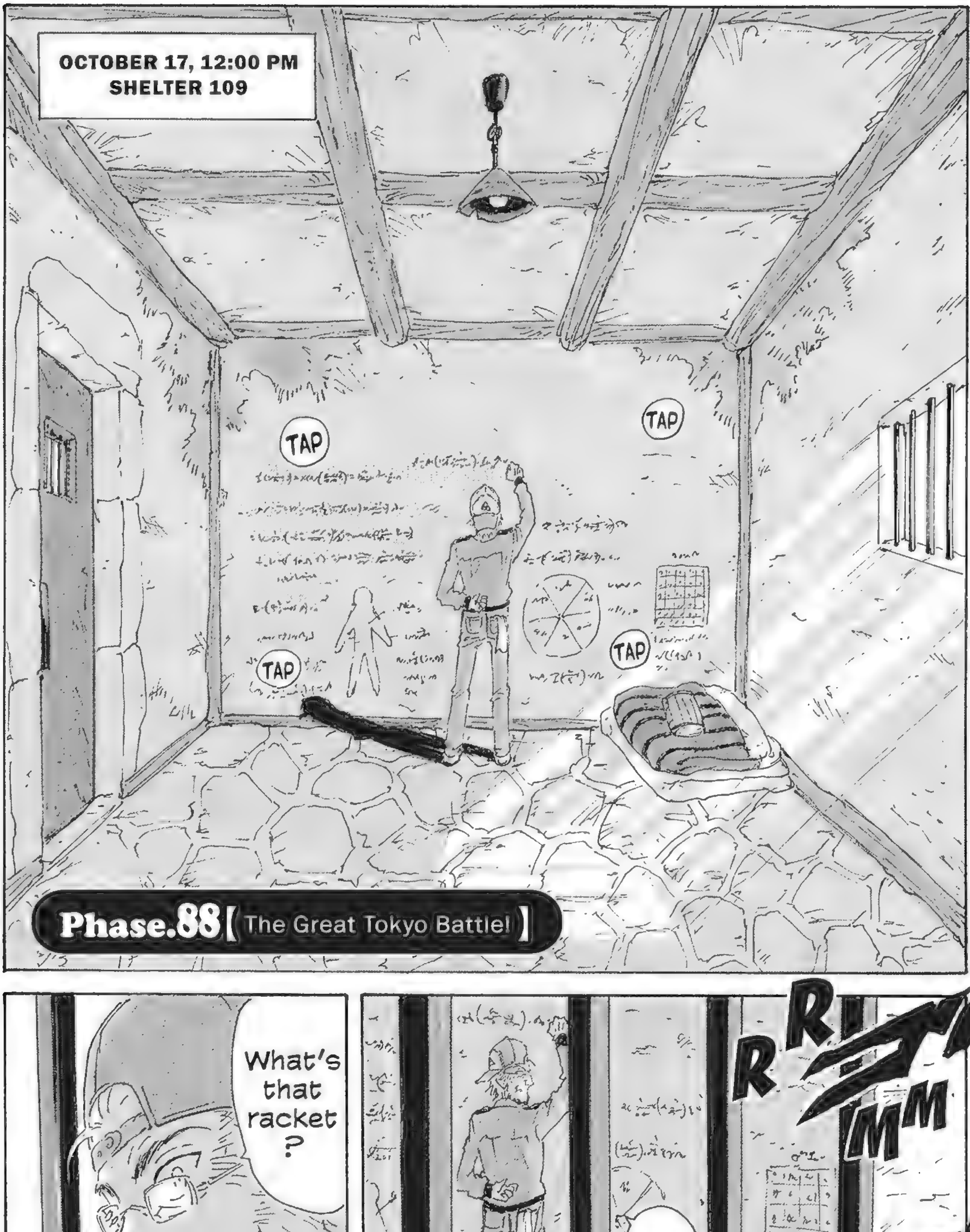

Why the heck did we drag it out here?
FOOAH
You're building a robot in a *meadow*?
TMP
TMP

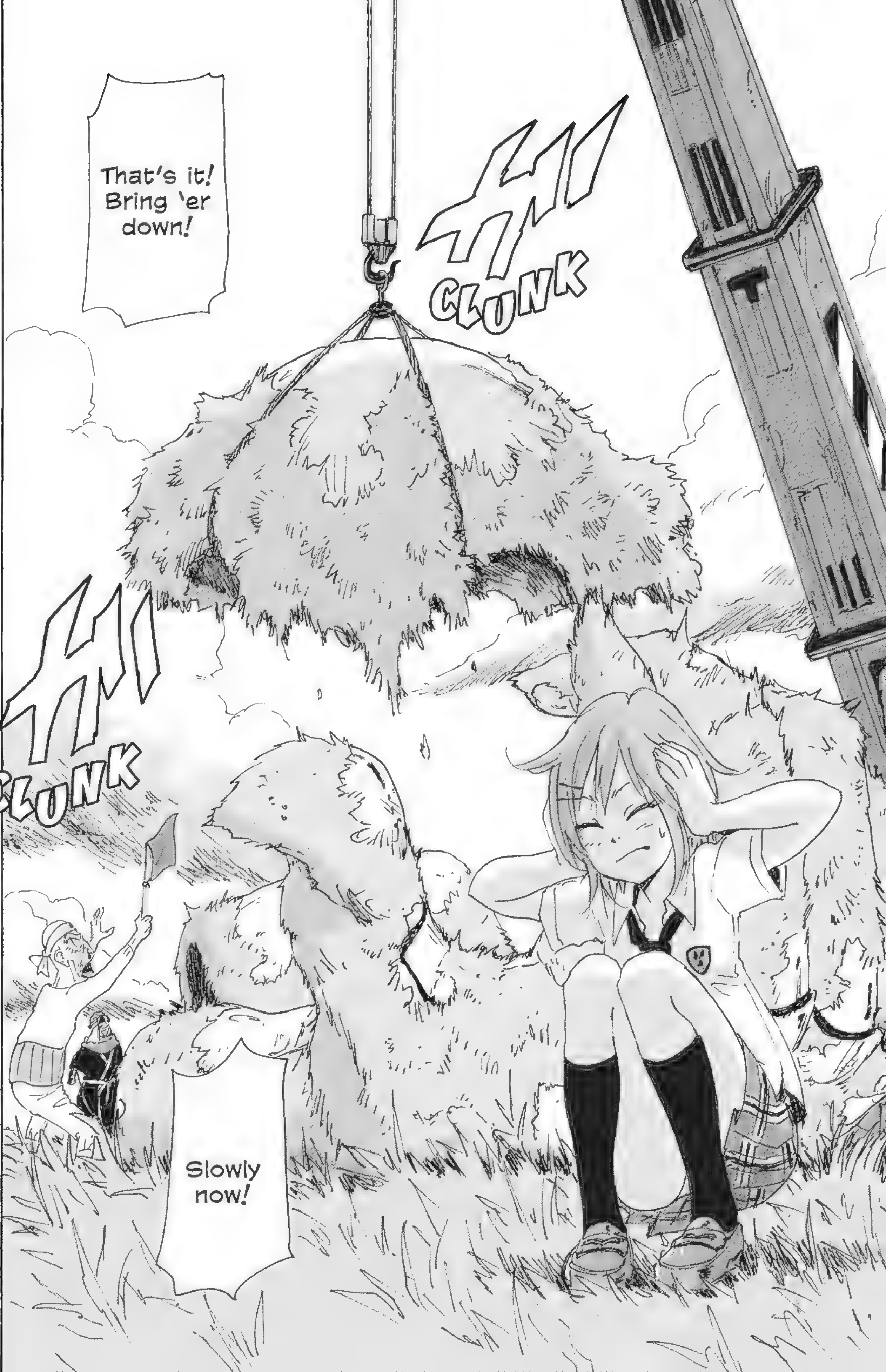

You betcha! This is a *moving platform* that'll take the Edon to a catapult and move it aboveground.
We'll put the robot together here, and then move it to the surface!
SCRUB
SCRUB
Once you activate this platform, the shelter will no longer be airtight.
You should wait until November 13 to move it.
That's less than a month away now...
Will the robot be finished in time?
We'll divide up the work. First, we're scroungin' up all the parts!
Ooh! I wanna go treasure hunting, too!
...the only other thing we need is that plan.
Naruse?
Huh? Yeah...

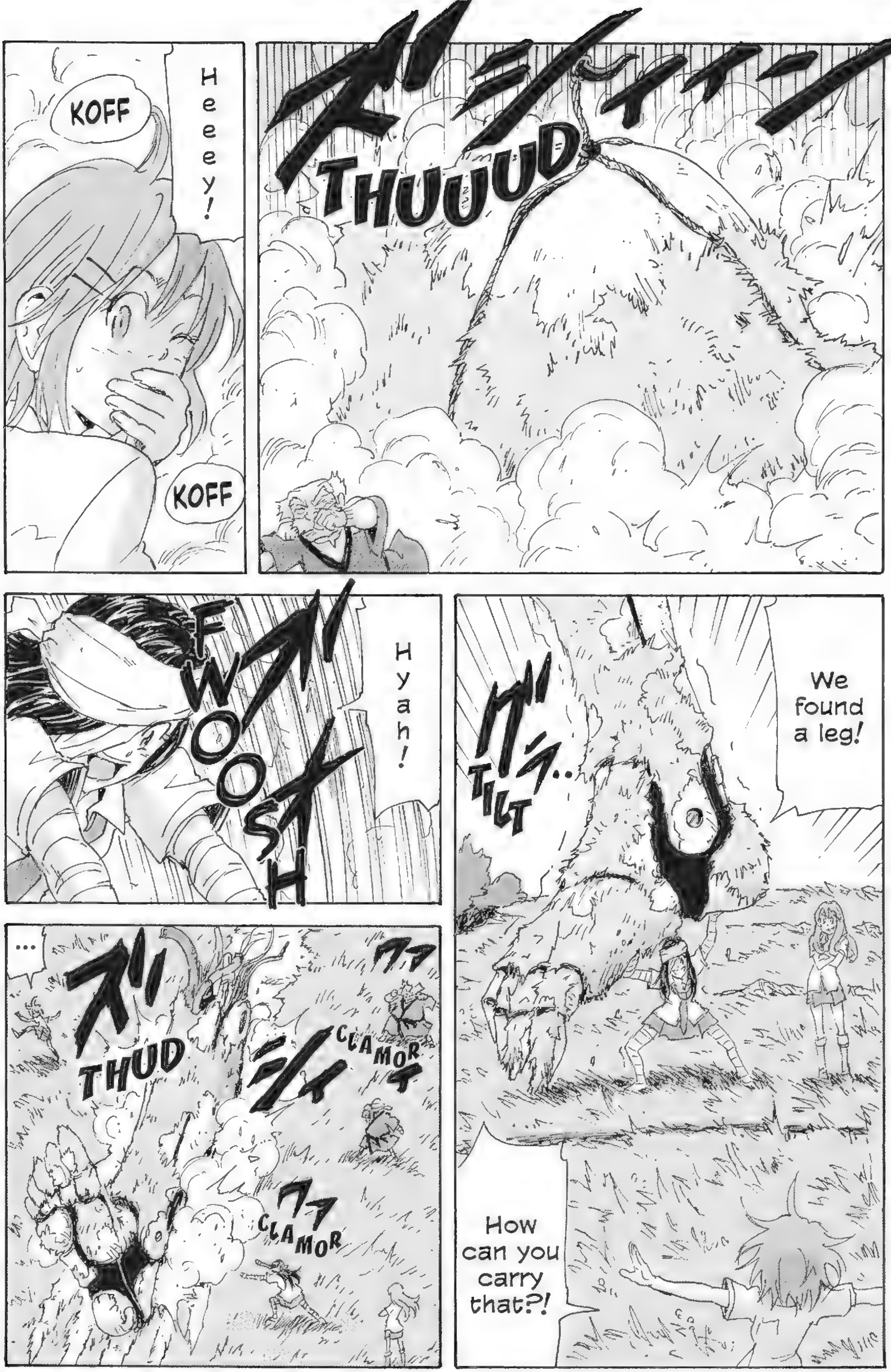

The Maskmaker won't come... He's closed off his heart.
We'll manage on our own.
Mr. Maskmaker!
Ha! You showoff!
Apologies, but the robot's plans...
...are all in here.

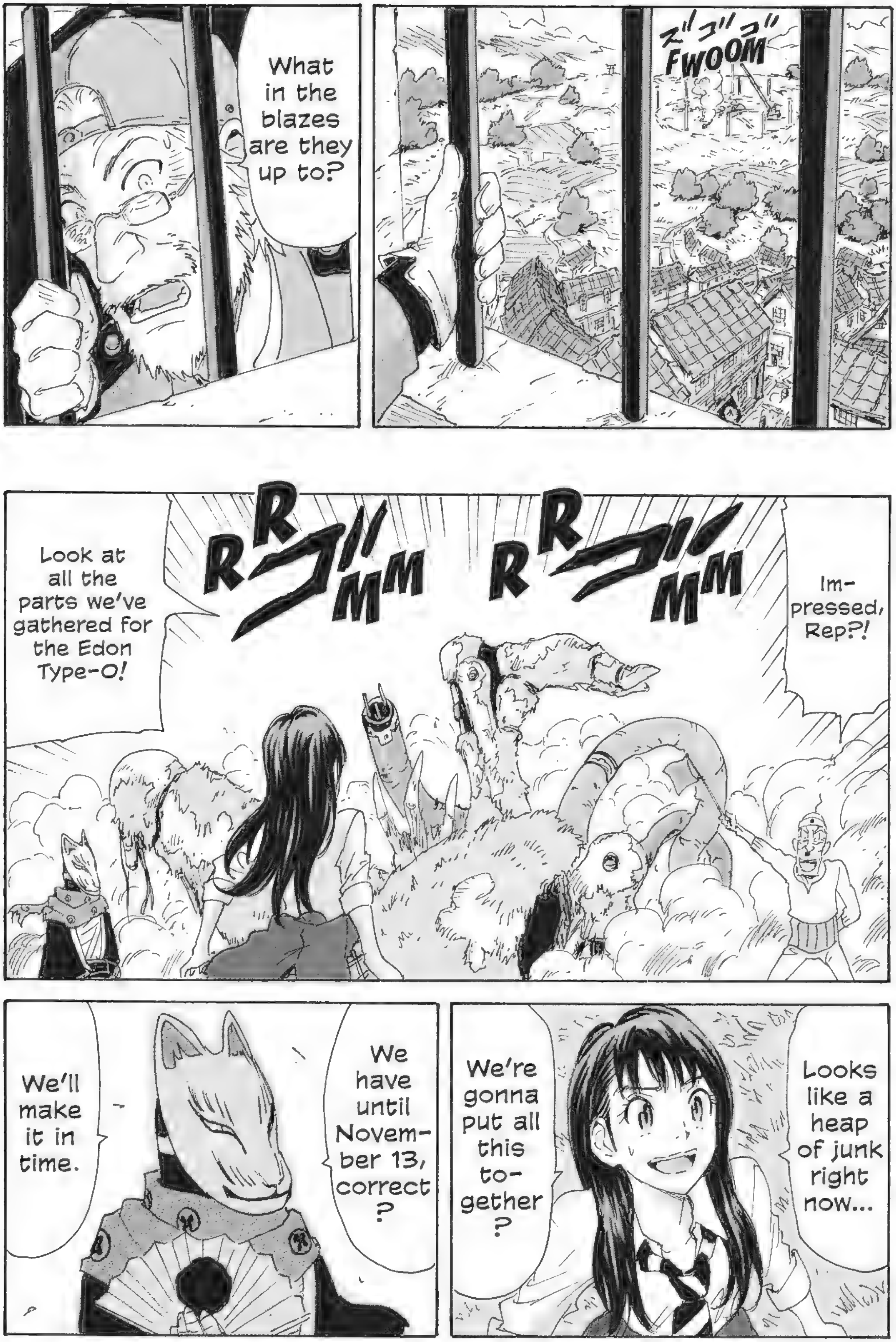

We don't have much time, everyone.
Remember 20 years ago. The way we felt back then.
We'll pour our hearts and souls into this robot.
RRRMMM
Our job is to reconstruct ...
...the Edon Type-0.
RRRMMM
P-87 END

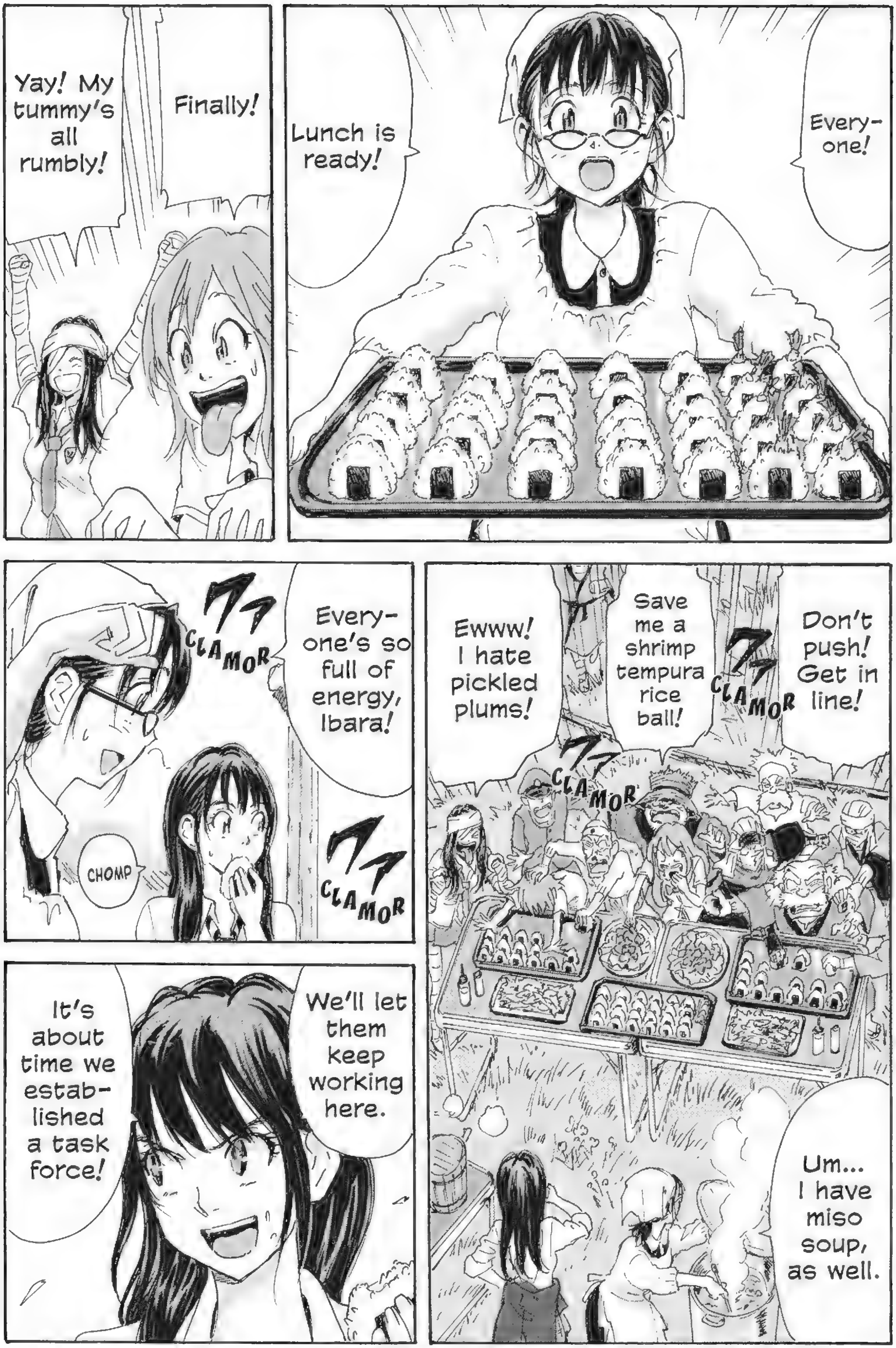
Phase.88 [The Great Tokyo Battle!]

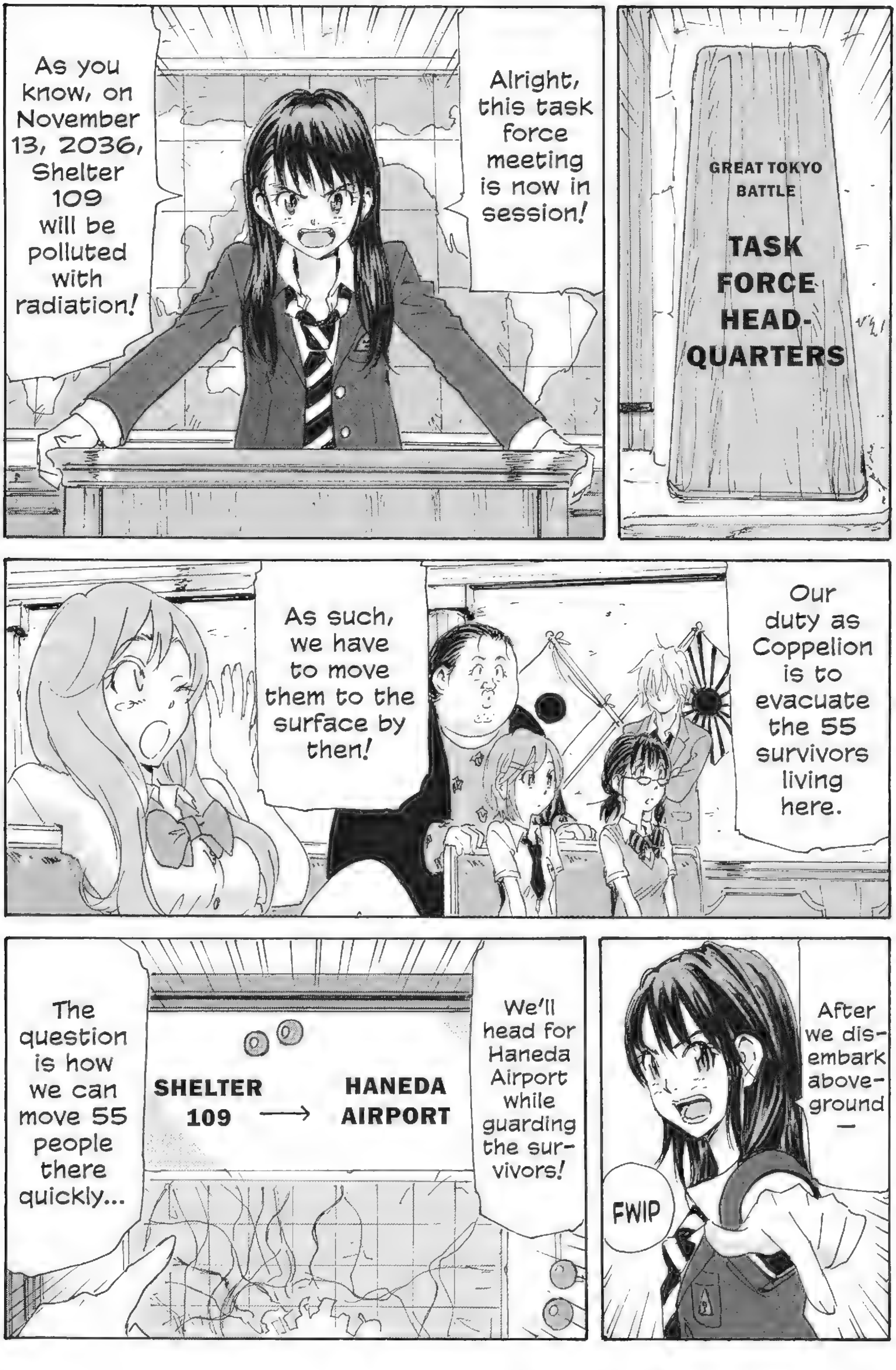

OCTOBER 17, 12:00 PM
SHELTER 109
TAP
TAP
TAP
TAP
RRRUMM
RRRUMM
?
What's that racket?

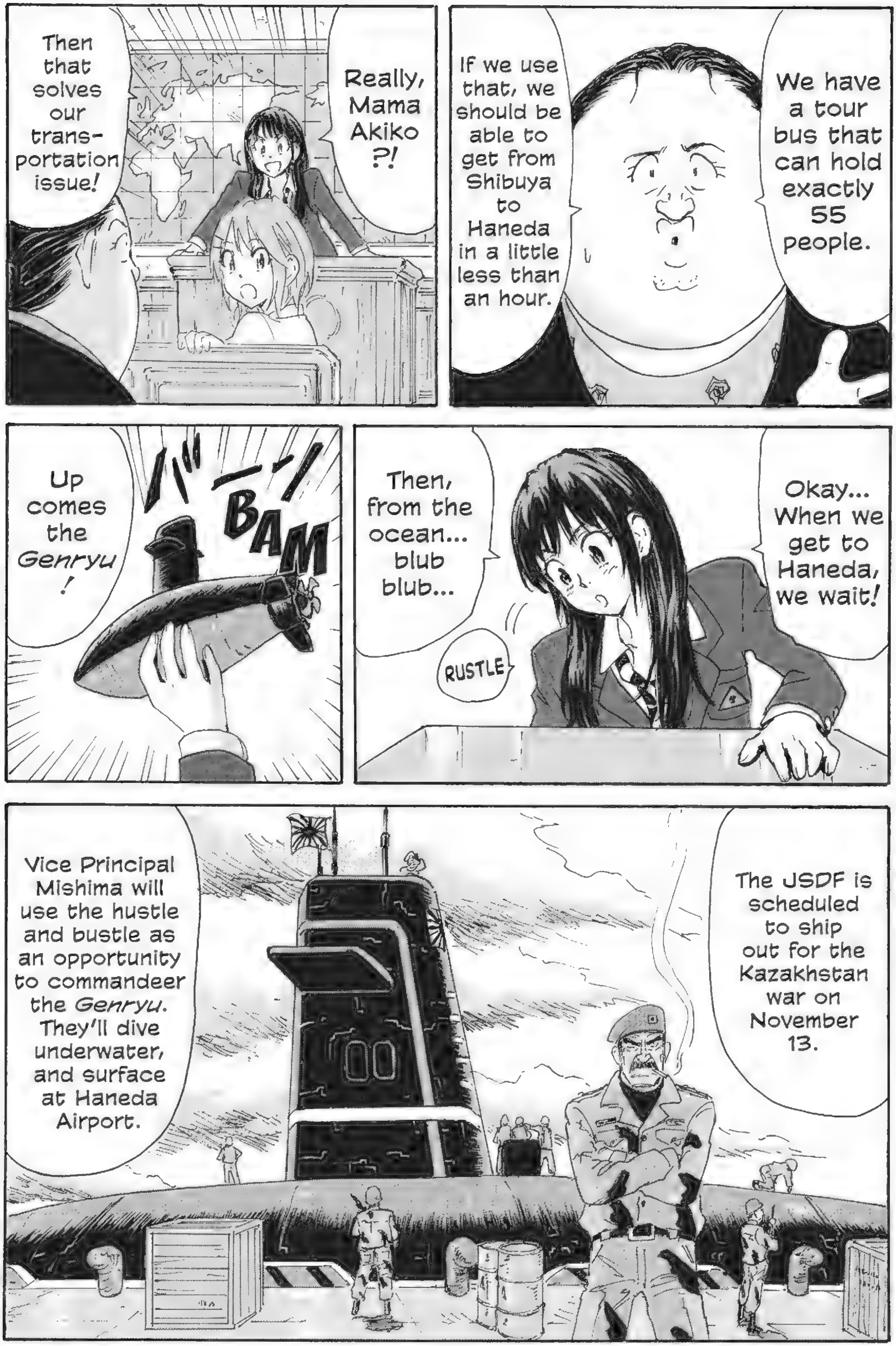

That's it! Bring 'er down!
CLUNK
CLUNK
Slowly now!

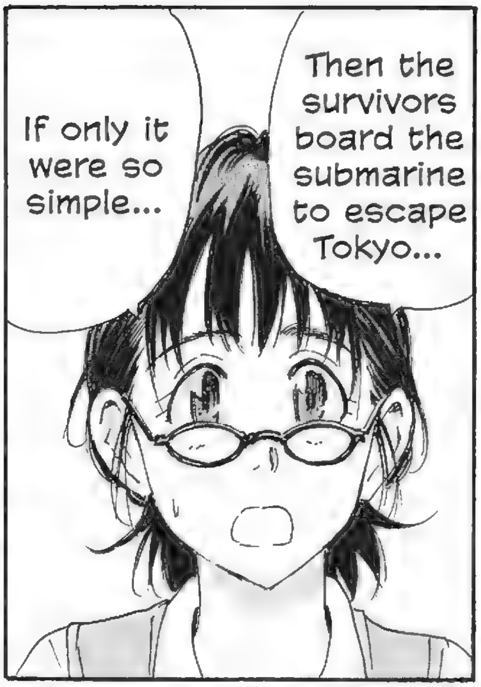

THUUUD
Heeey!
KOFF
KOFF
TILT
We found a leg!
Hyah!
FWOOSH
How can you carry that?!
...
THUD
CLAMOR
ワァ
CLAMOR

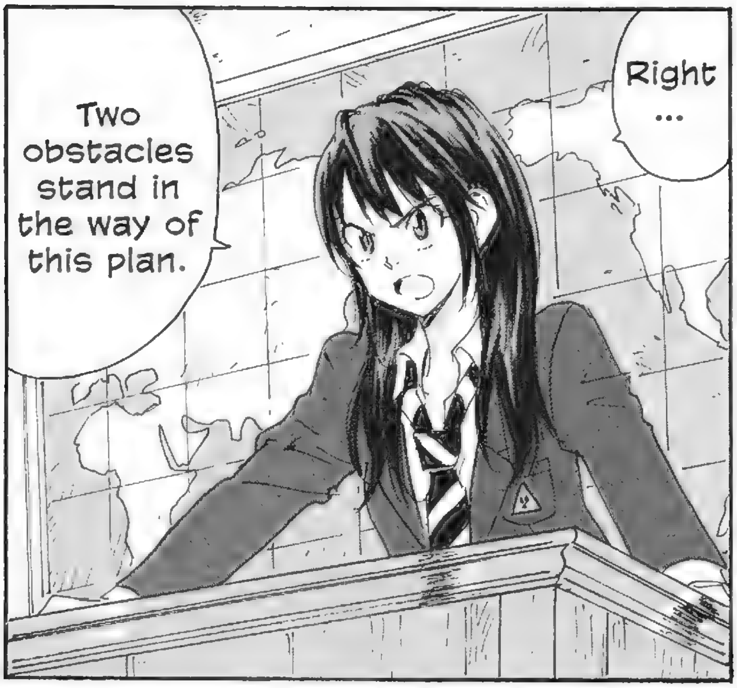

ズゴゴ
FWOOM
What in the blazes are they up to?
Impressed, Rep?!
RRゴMM RRゴMM
Look at all the parts we've gathered for the Edon Type-0!
Looks like a heap of junk right now...
We're gonna put all this together?
We have until November 13, correct?
We'll make it in time.

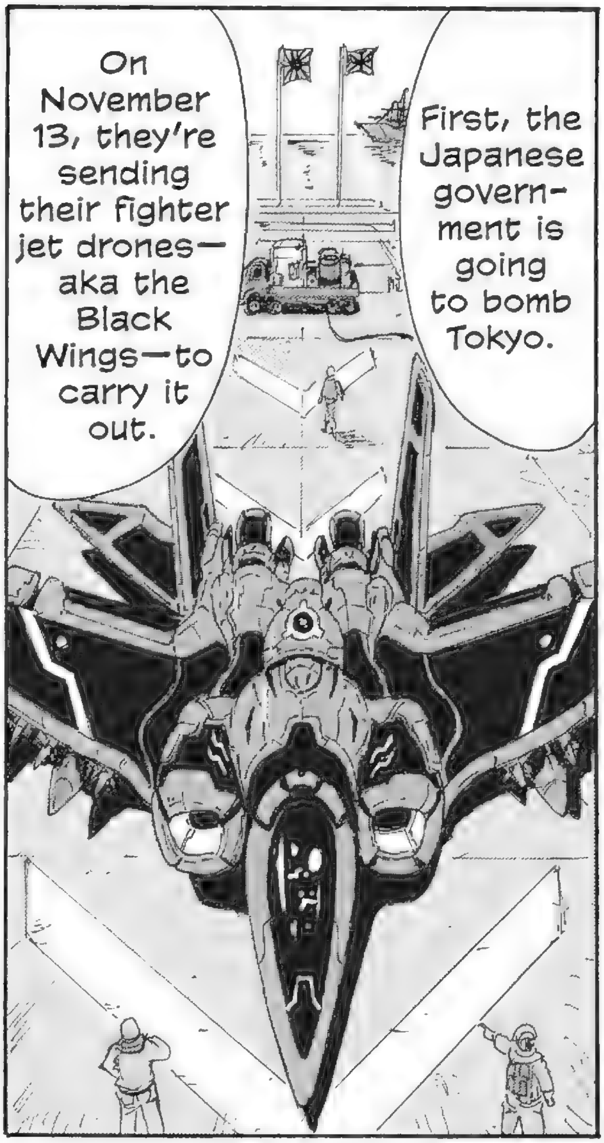

Every-one!
Lunch is ready!
Finally!
Yay! My tummy's all rumbly!
Don't push! Get in line!
CLAMOR
Save me a shrimp tempura rice ball!
Ewww! I hate pickled plums!
CLAMOR
Um... I have miso soup, as well.
CLAMOR
Every-one's so full of energy, Ibara!
CHOMP
CLAMOR
We'll let them keep working here.
It's about time we established a task force!

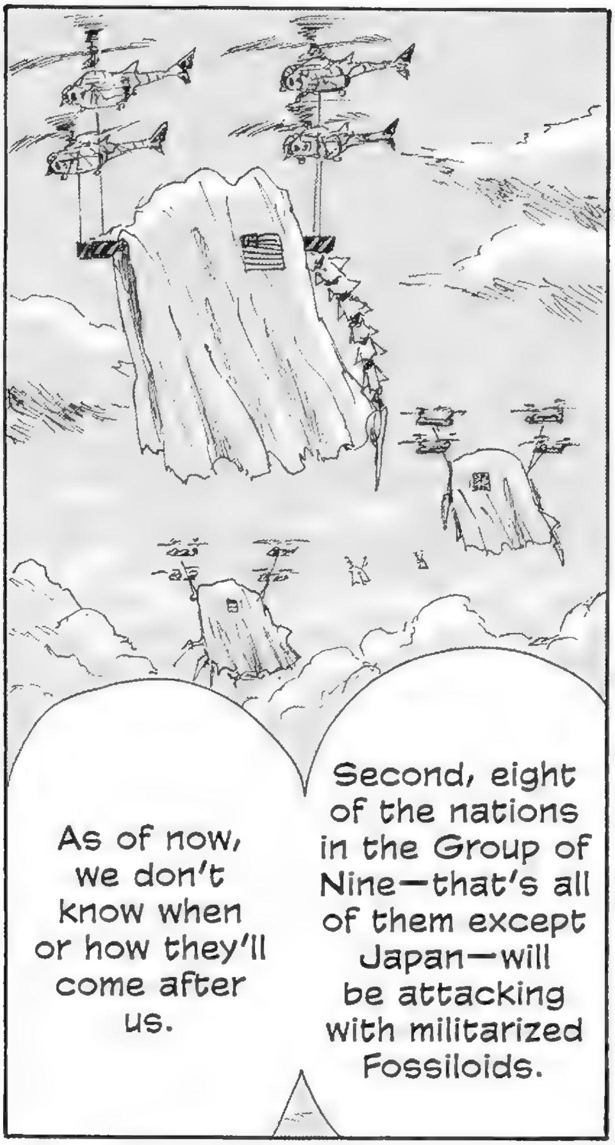

GREAT TOKYO BATTLE
TASK FORCE HEADQUARTERS
Alright, this task force meeting is now in session!
As you know, on November 13, 2036, Shelter 109 will be polluted with radiation!
Our duty as Coppelion is to evacuate the 55 survivors living here.
As such, we have to move them to the surface by then!
After we disembark aboveground —
FWIP
We'll head for Haneda Airport while guarding the survivors!
SHELTER 109 → HANEDA AIRPORT
The question is how we can move 55 people there quickly...

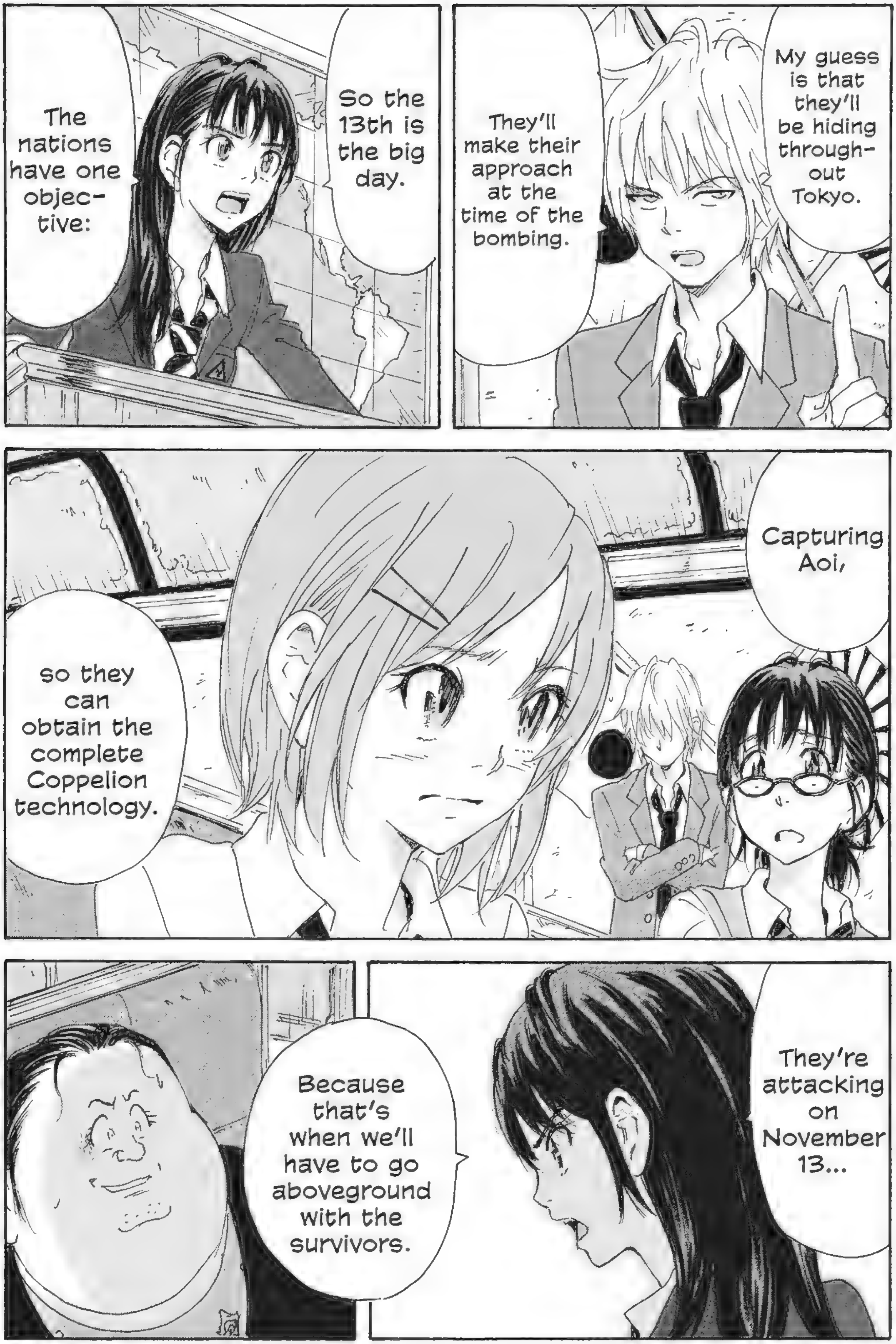

We have a tour bus that can hold exactly 55 people.
If we use that, we should be able to get from Shibuya to Haneda in a little less than an hour.
Really, Mama Akiko?!
Then that solves our transportation issue!
Okay... When we get to Haneda, we wait!
Then, from the ocean... blub blub...
RUSTLE
バーン
BAM
Up comes the *Genryu*!
The JSDF is scheduled to ship out for the Kazakhstan war on November 13.
Vice Principal Mishima will use the hustle and bustle as an opportunity to commandeer the *Genryu*. They'll dive underwater, and surface at Haneda Airport.

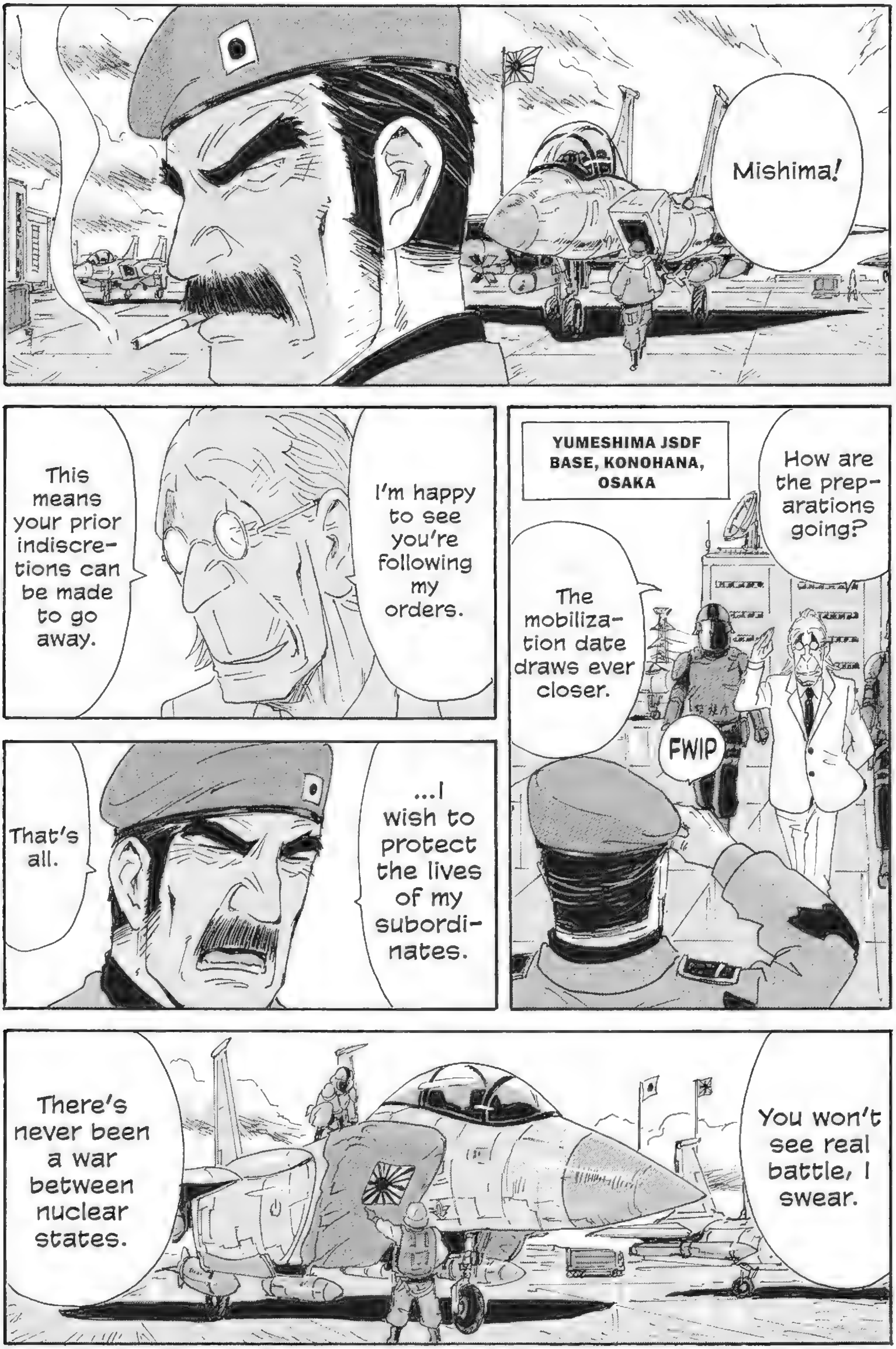

Then the survivors board the submarine to escape Tokyo...
If only it were so simple...

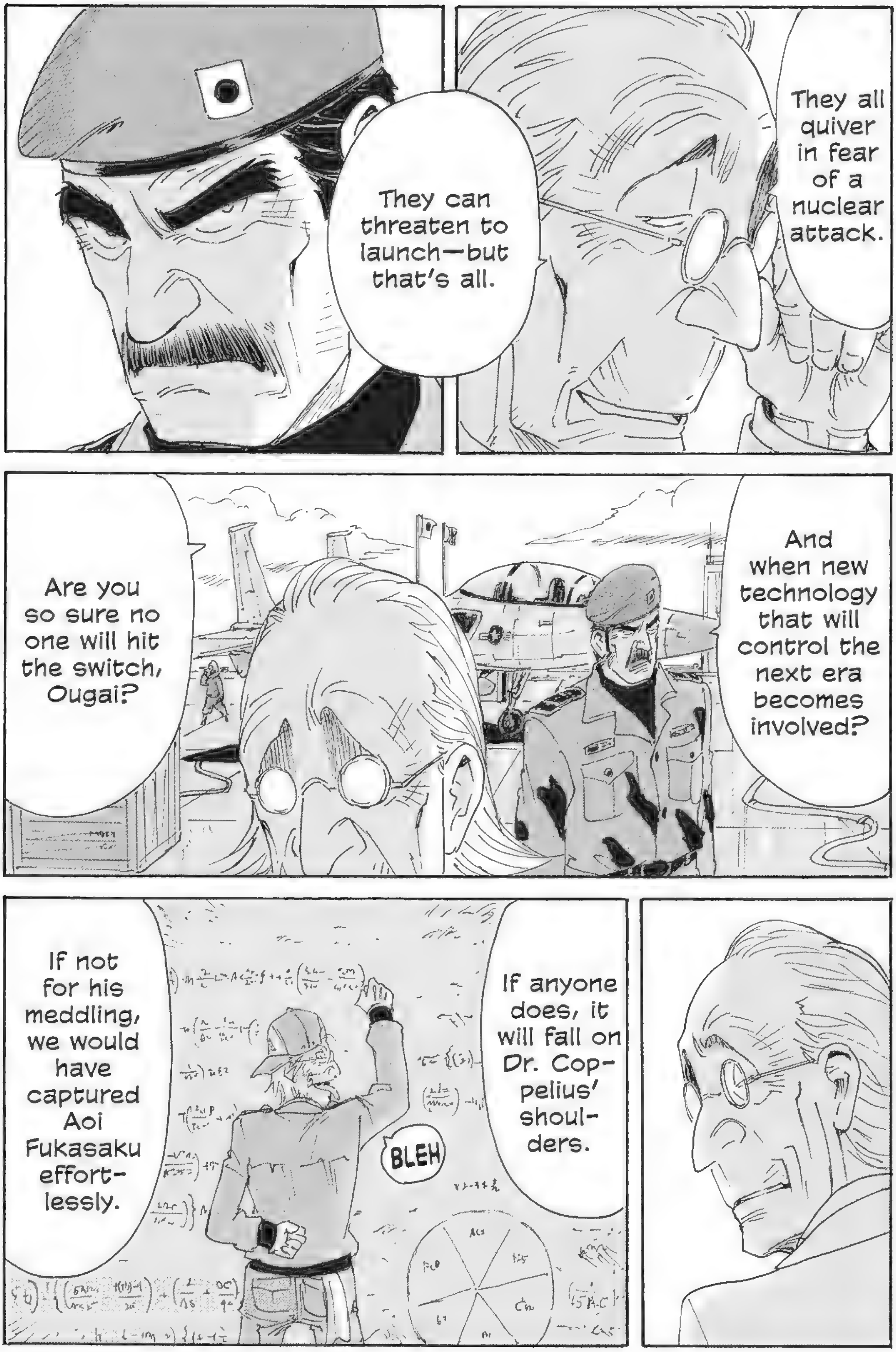

Right ...
Two obstacles stand in the way of this plan.

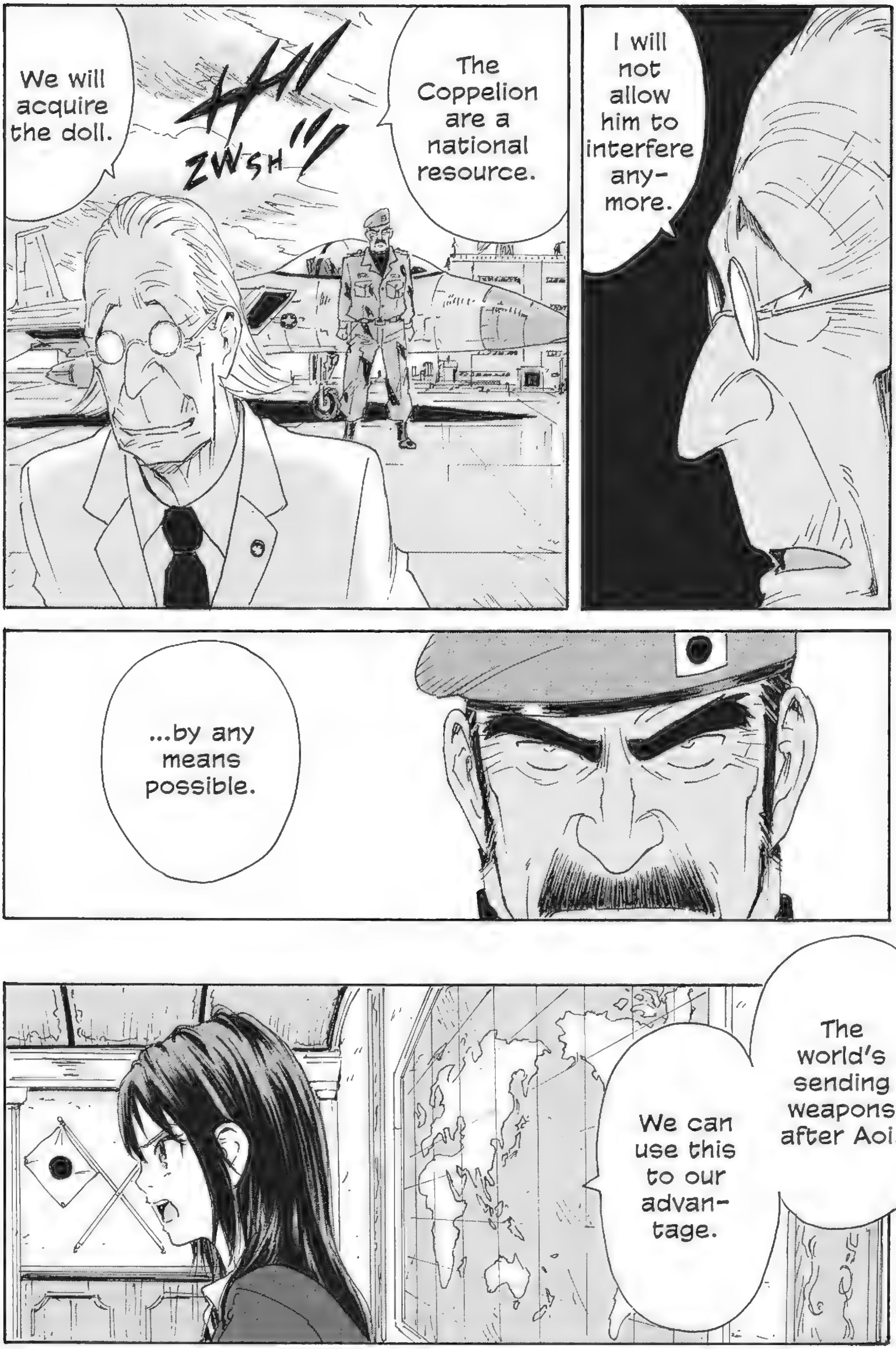

First, the Japanese government is going to bomb Tokyo.
On November 13, they're sending their fighter jet drones—aka the Black Wings—to carry it out.

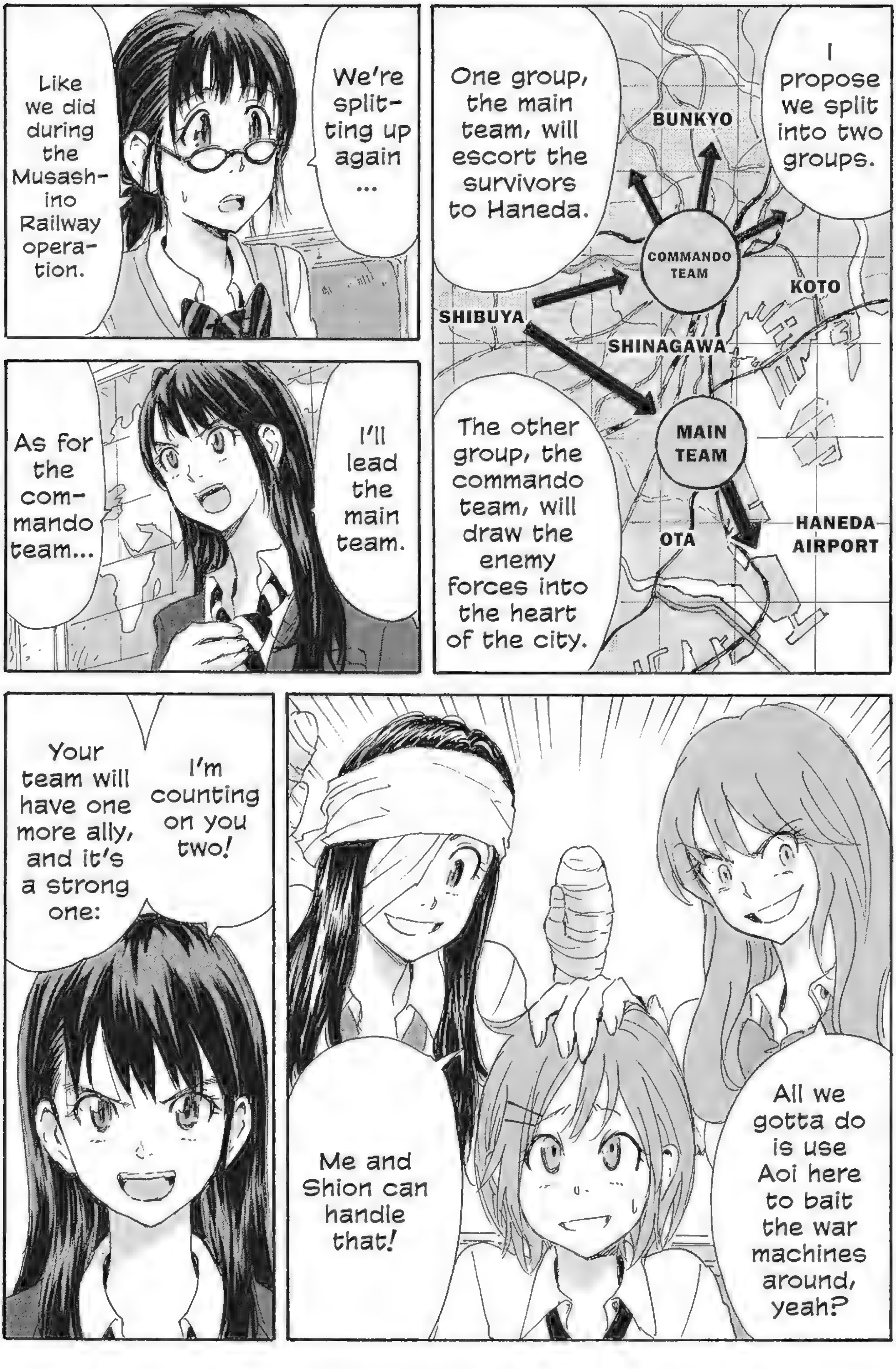

Second, eight of the nations in the Group of Nine—that's all of them except Japan—will be attacking with militarized Fossiloids.
As of now, we don't know when or how they'll come after us.

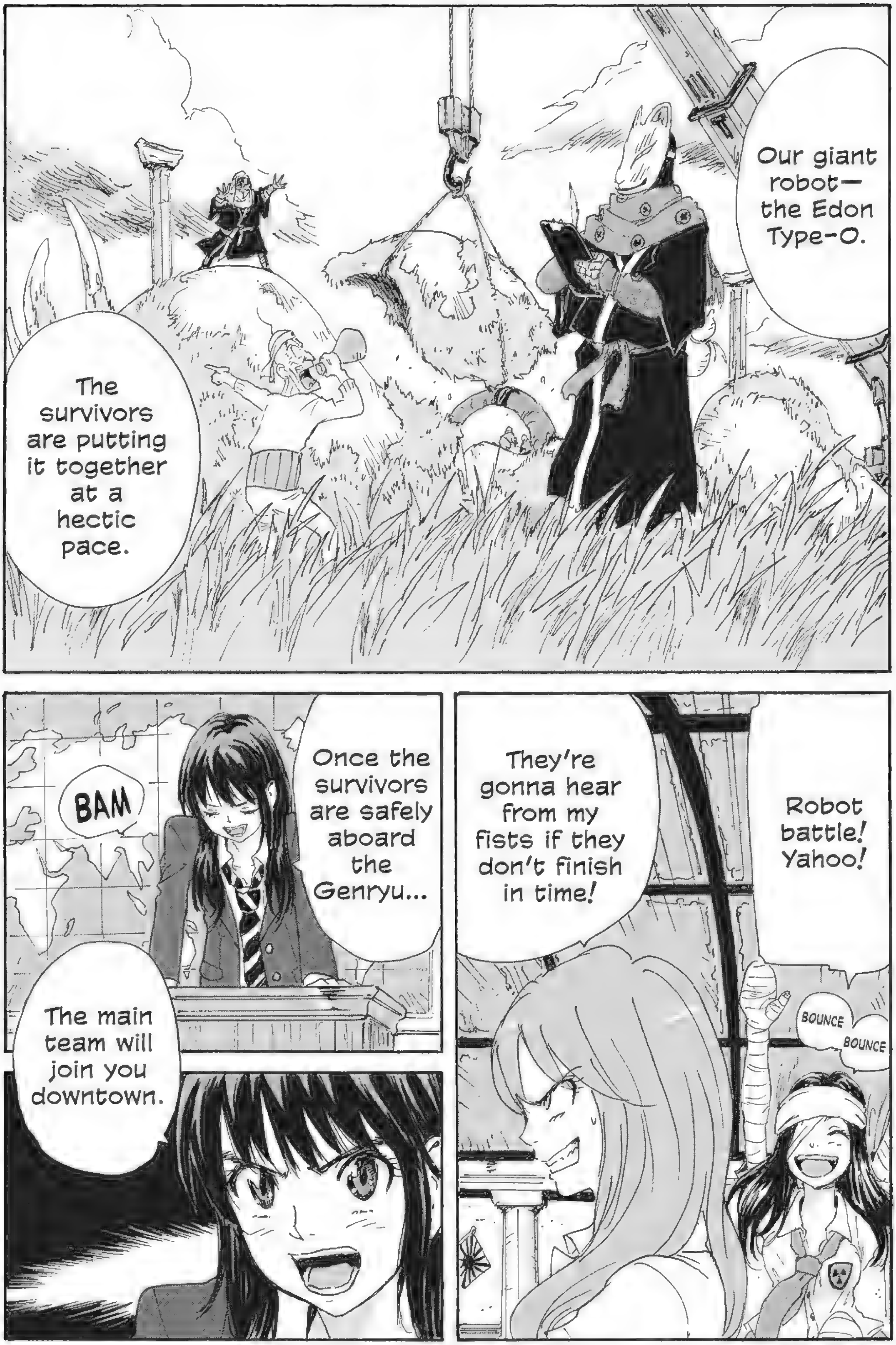

My guess is that they'll be hiding throughout Tokyo.
They'll make their approach at the time of the bombing.
So the 13th is the big day.
The nations have one objective:
Capturing Aoi,
so they can obtain the complete Coppelion technology.
They're attacking on November 13...
Because that's when we'll have to go aboveground with the survivors.

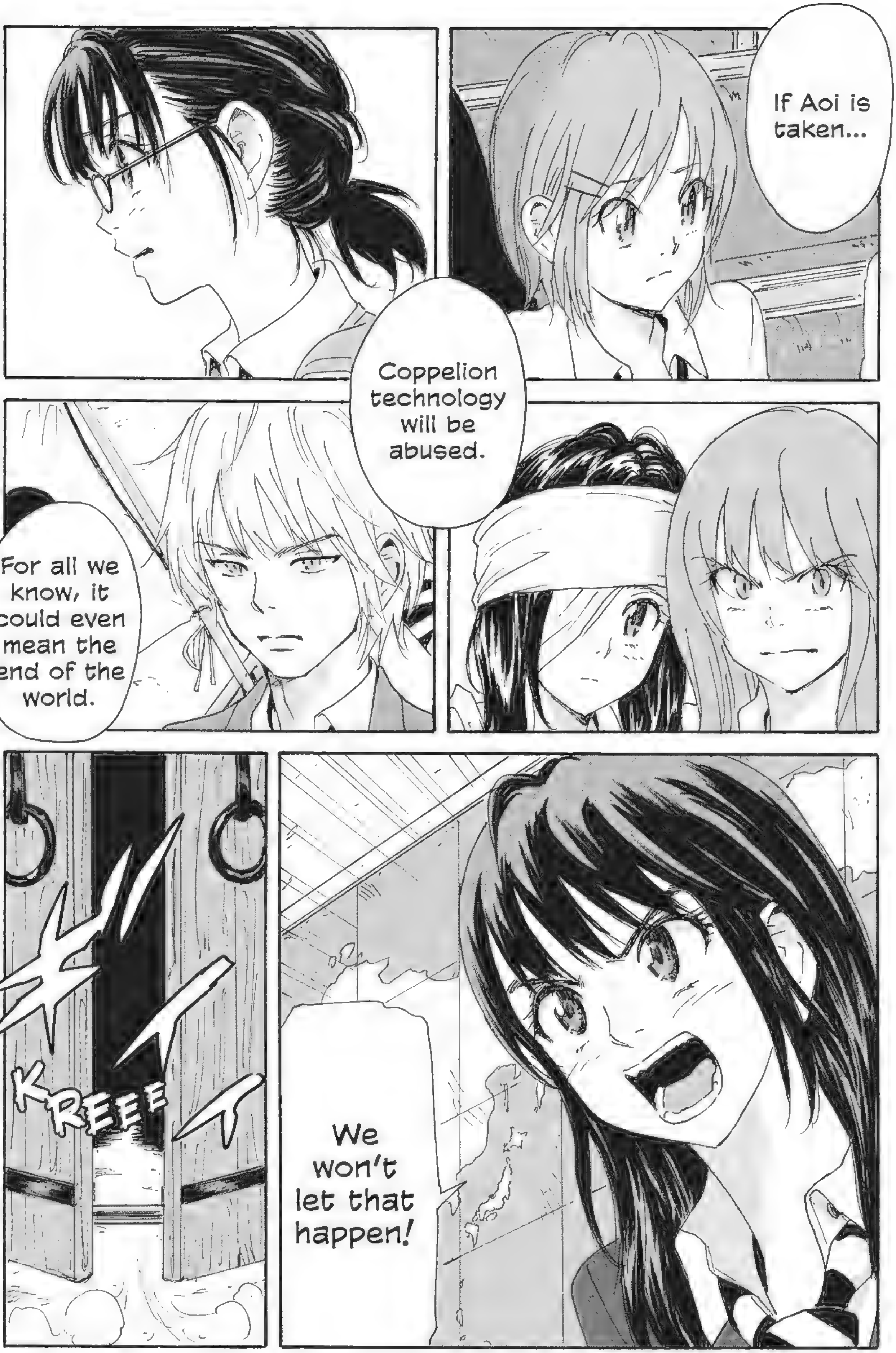

Mishima!
YUMESHIMA JSDF BASE, KONOHANA, OSAKA
How are the preparations going?
The mobilization date draws ever closer.
FWIP
I'm happy to see you're following my orders.
This means your prior indiscretions can be made to go away.
...I wish to protect the lives of my subordinates.
That's all.
You won't see real battle, I swear.
There's never been a war between nuclear states.

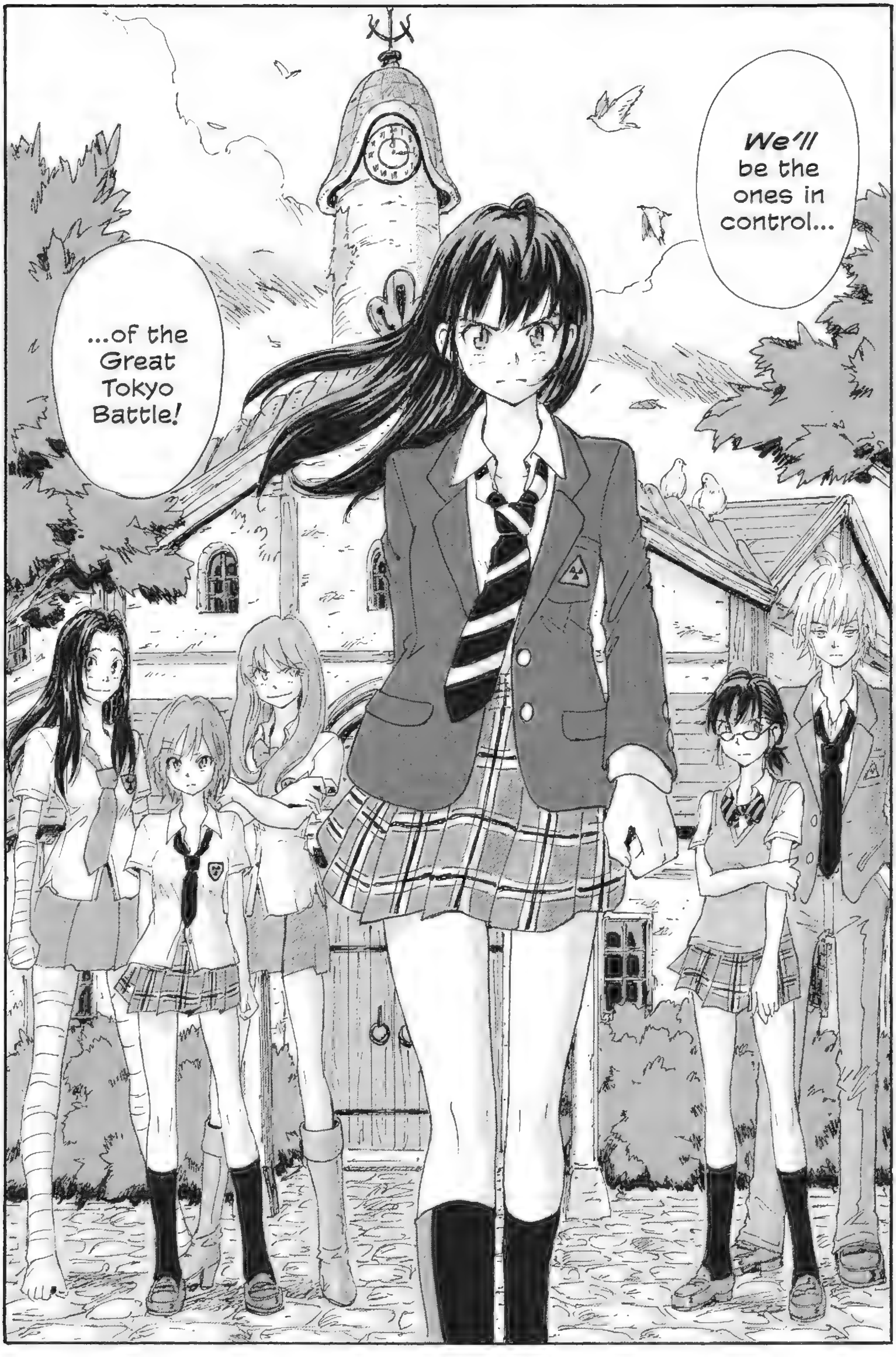

They all quiver in fear of a nuclear attack.
They can threaten to launch—but that's all.
And when new technology that will control the next era becomes involved?
Are you so sure no one will hit the switch, Ougai?
If anyone does, it will fall on Dr. Coppelius' shoulders.
BLEH
If not for his meddling, we would have captured Aoi Fukasaku effortlessly.

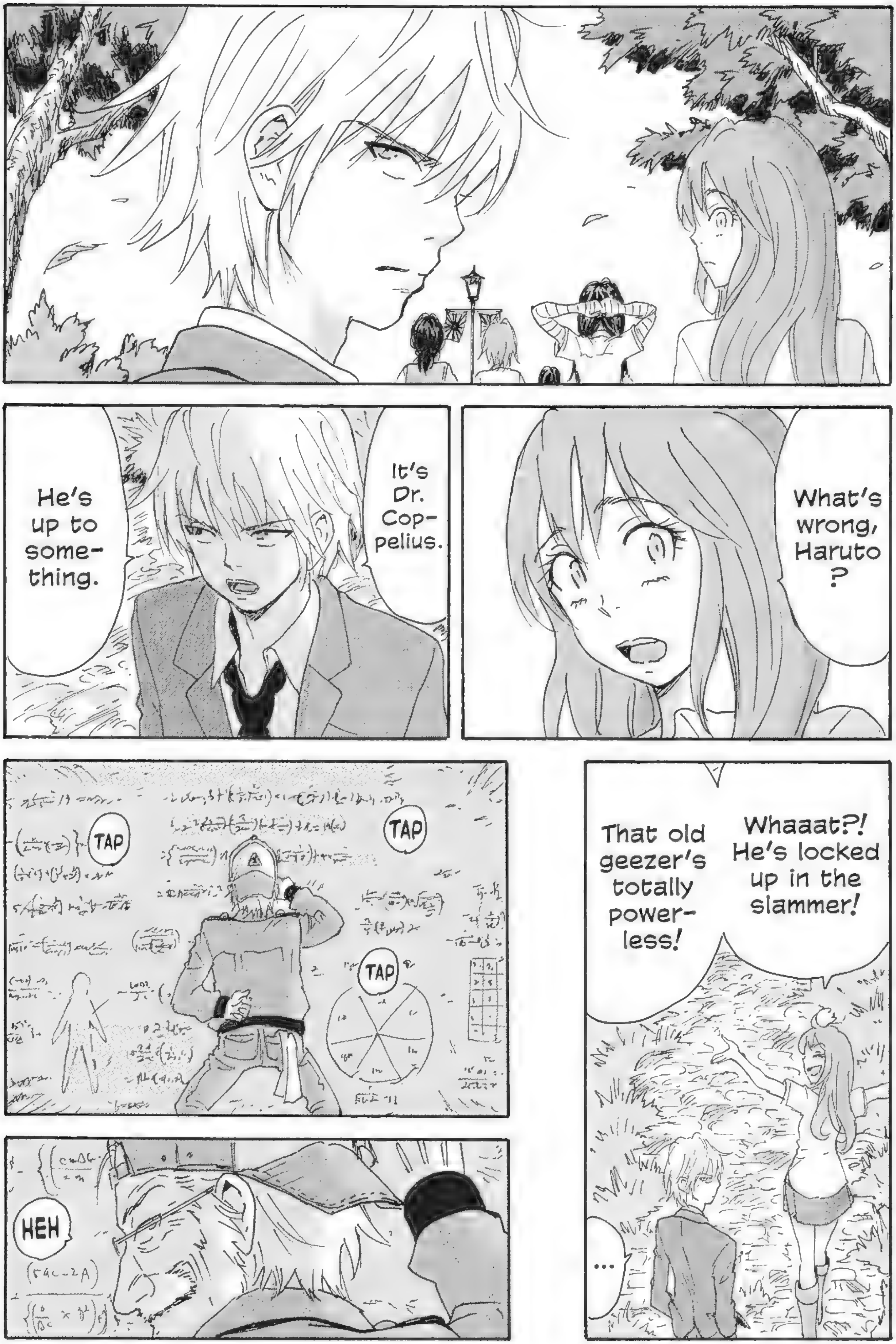

I will not allow him to interfere anymore.
The Coppelion are a national resource.
ZWSH
We will acquire the doll.
...by any means possible.
The world's sending weapons after Aoi.
We can use this to our advantage.

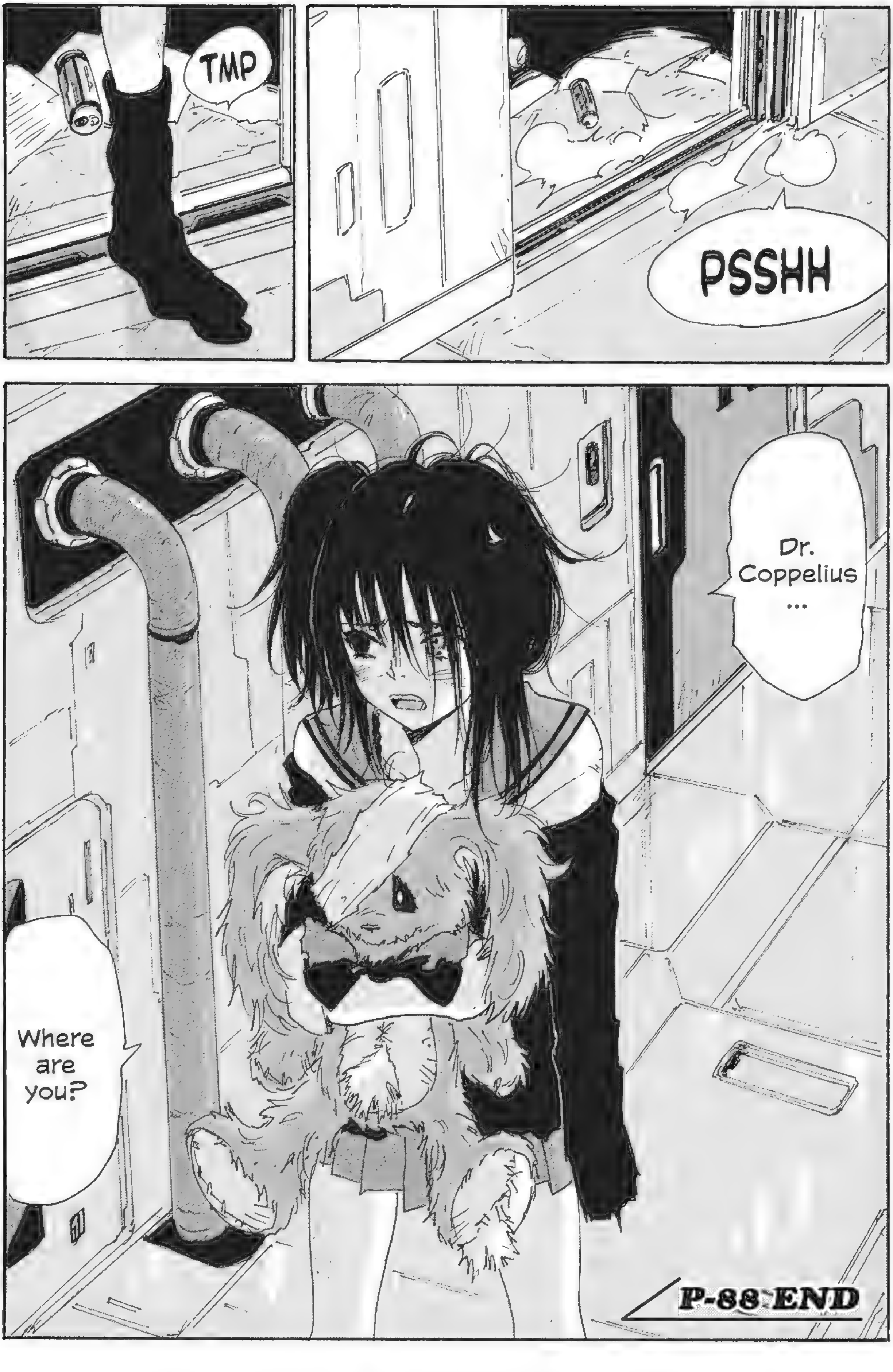

I propose we split into two groups.
One group, the main team, will escort the survivors to Haneda.
BUNKYO
COMMANDO TEAM
KOTO
SHIBUYA
SHINAGAWA
MAIN TEAM
OTA
HANEDA AIRPORT
The other group, the commando team, will draw the enemy forces into the heart of the city.
We're splitting up again...
Like we did during the Musashino Railway operation.
I'll lead the main team.
As for the commando team...
All we gotta do is use Aoi here to bait the war machines around, yeah?
Me and Shion can handle that!
I'm counting on you two!
Your team will have one more ally, and it's a strong one:


Our giant robot—the Edon Type-O.
The survivors are putting it together at a hectic pace.
BAM
Once the survivors are safely aboard the Genryu...
The main team will join you downtown.
They're gonna hear from my fists if they don't finish in time!
Robot battle! Yahoo!
BOUNCE
BOUNCE

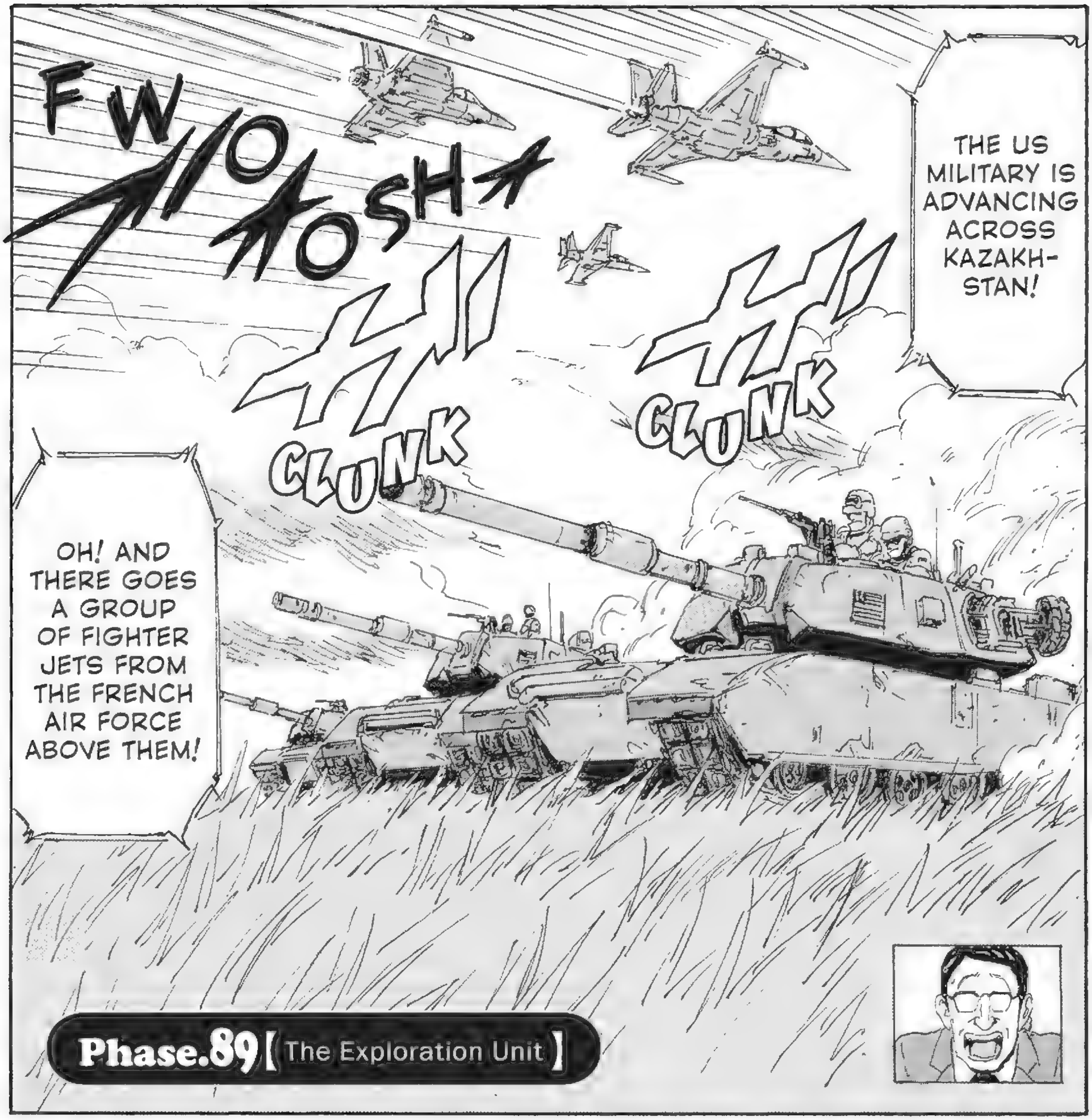

If Aoi is taken...
Coppelion technology will be abused.
For all we know, it could even mean the end of the world.
We won't let that happen!
KREEE

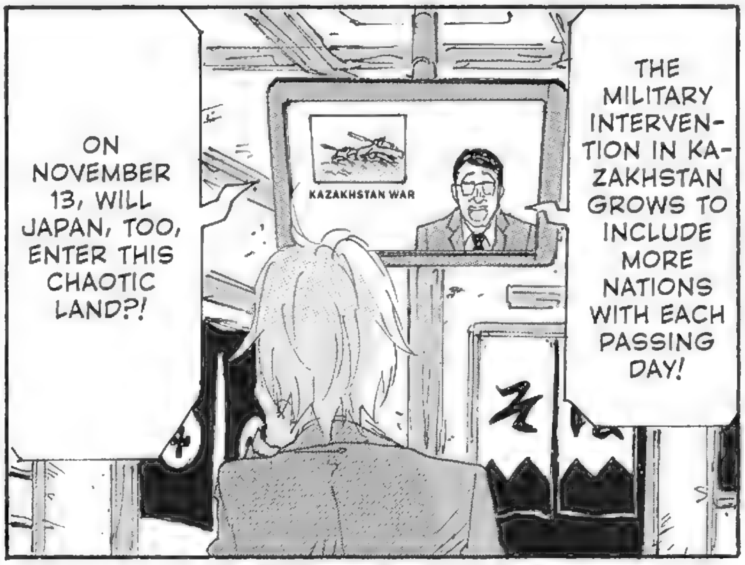

We'll be the ones in control...
...of the Great Tokyo Battle!

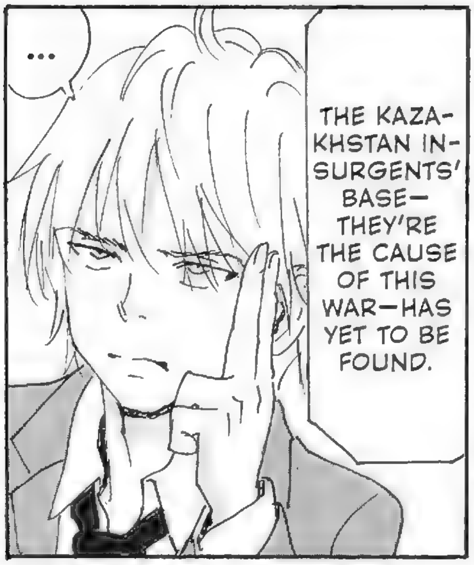

What's wrong, Haruto?
It's Dr. Coppelius.
He's up to something.
Whaaat?! He's locked up in the slammer!
That old geezer's totally powerless!
...
TAP
TAP
TAP
HEH

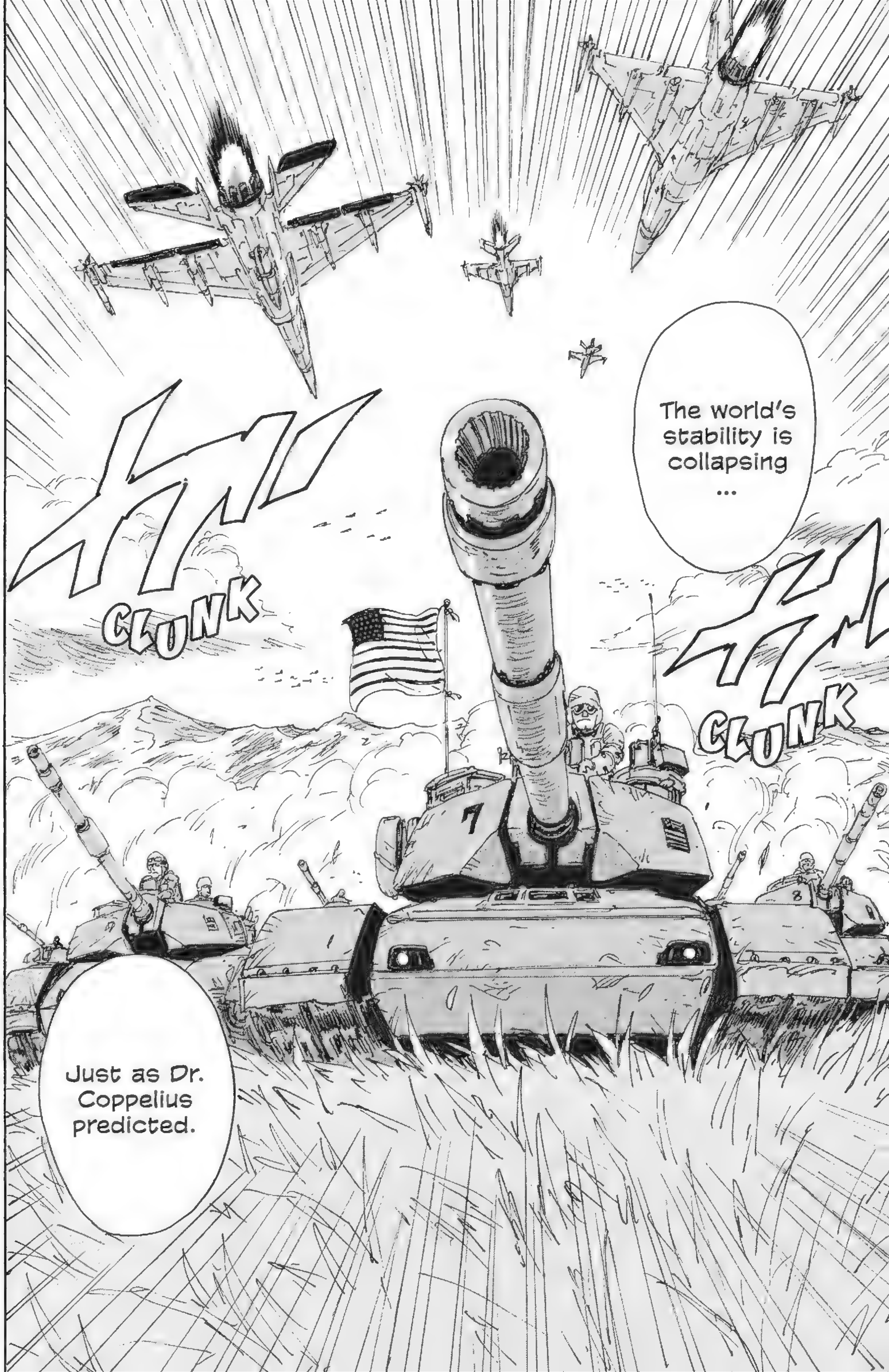

TMP
PSSHH
Dr. Coppelius ...
Where are you?
P-88 END

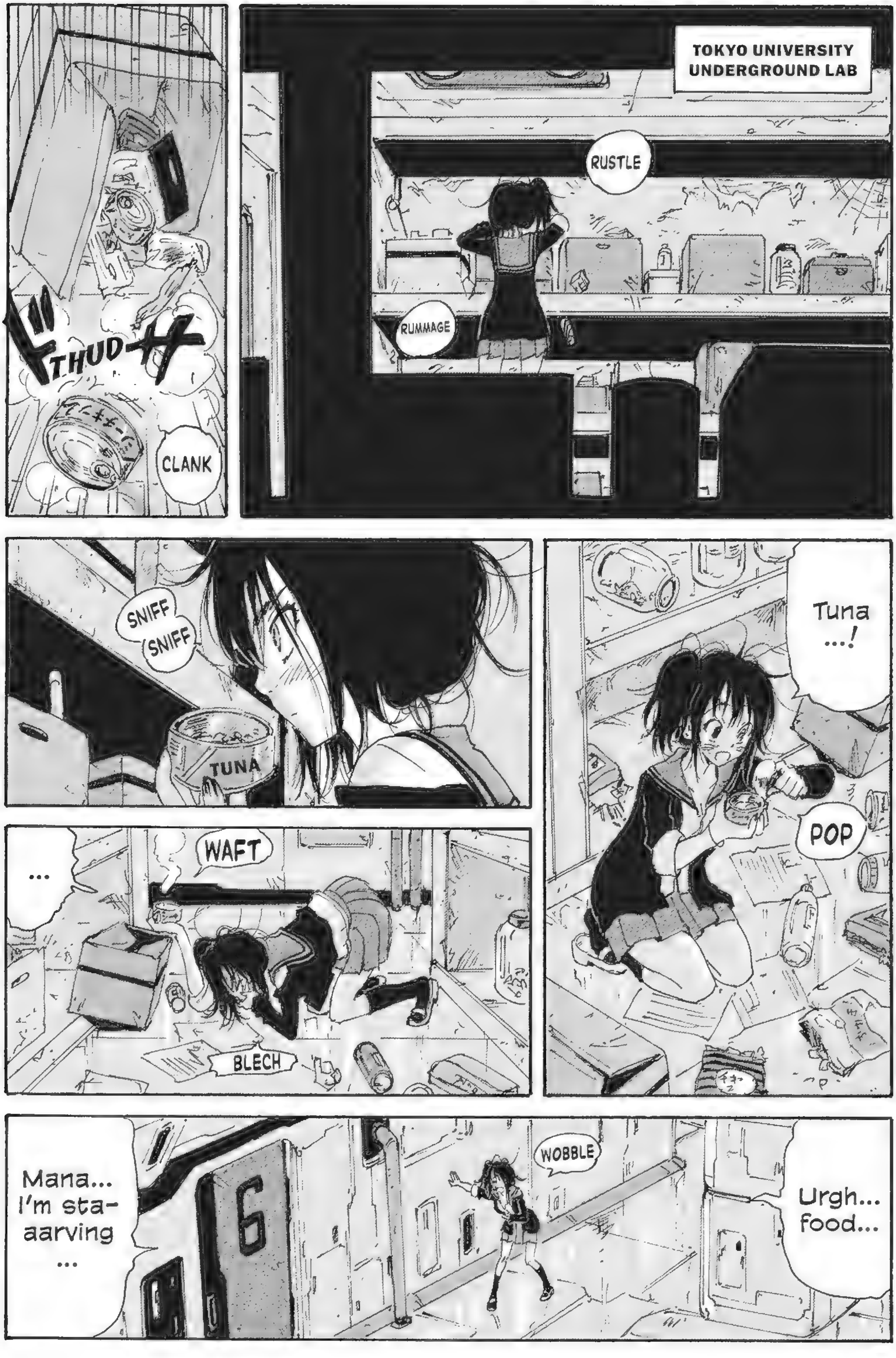
Phase.89 【The Exploration Unit】

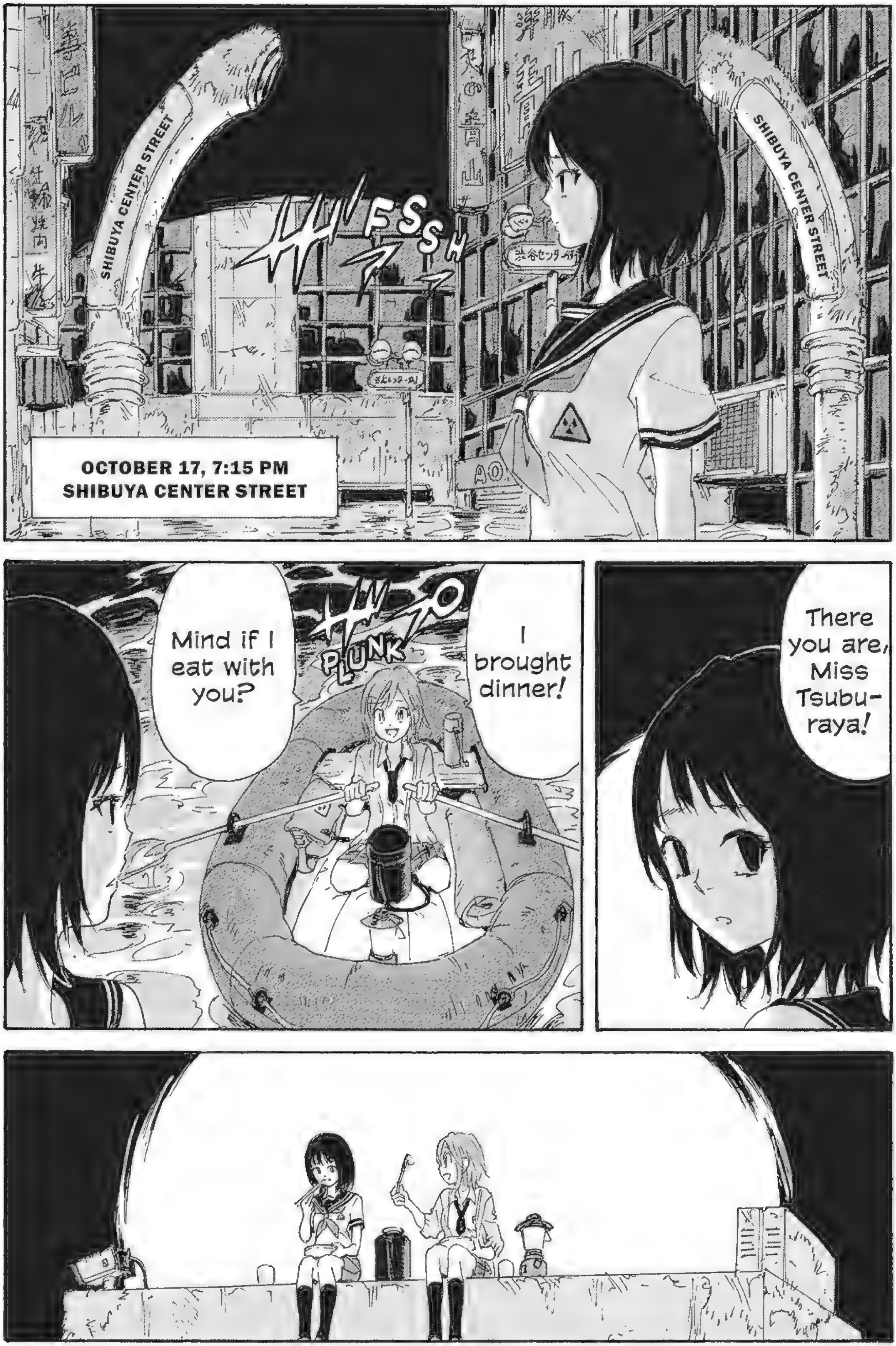

THE US MILITARY IS ADVANCING ACROSS KAZAKHSTAN!
FWOOSH
CLUNK
CLUNK
OH! AND THERE GOES A GROUP OF FIGHTER JETS FROM THE FRENCH AIR FORCE ABOVE THEM!

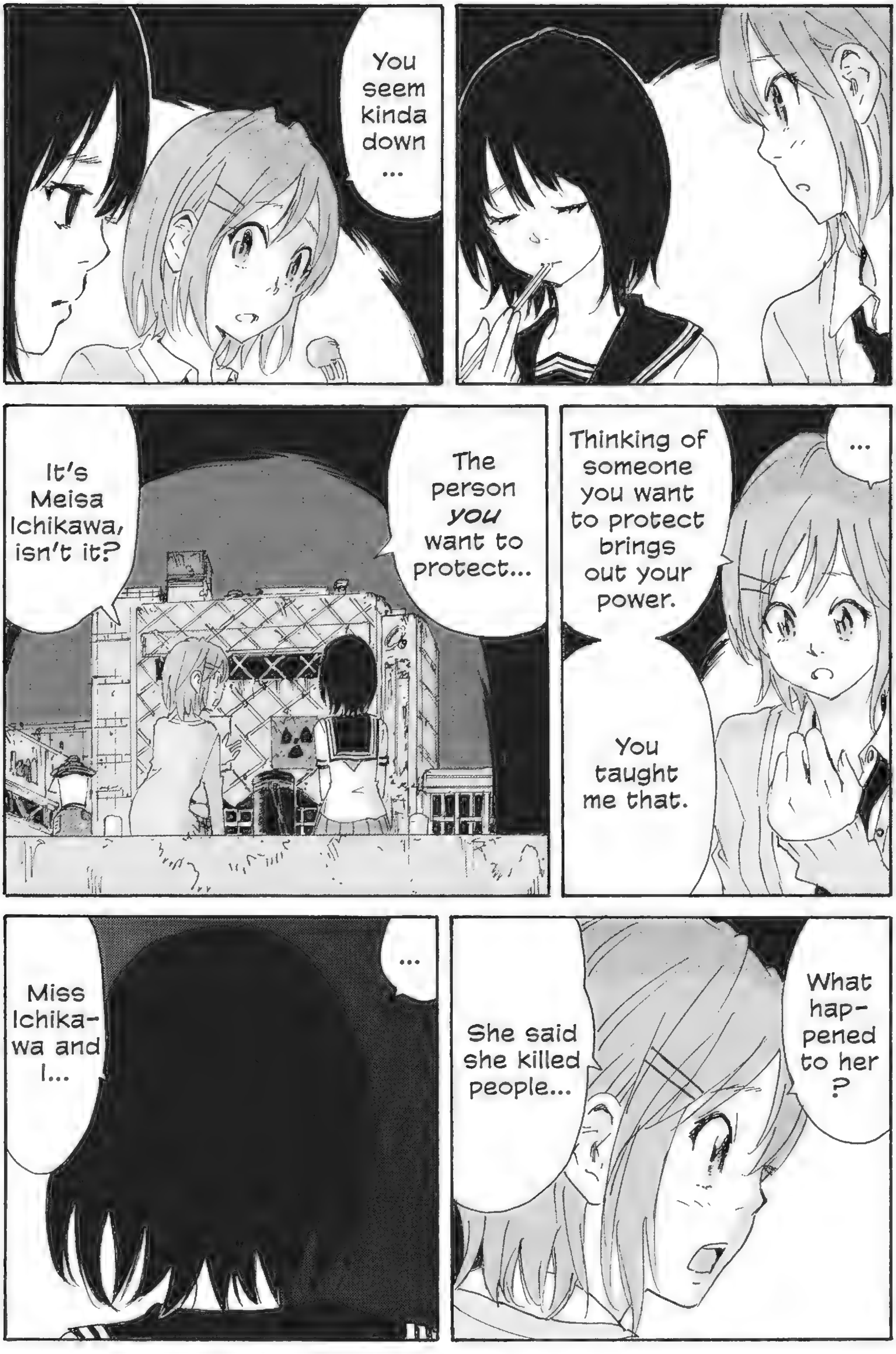

THE MILITARY INTERVENTION IN KAZAKHSTAN GROWS TO INCLUDE MORE NATIONS WITH EACH PASSING DAY!
KAZAKHSTAN WAR
ON NOVEMBER 13, WILL JAPAN, TOO, ENTER THIS CHAOTIC LAND?!

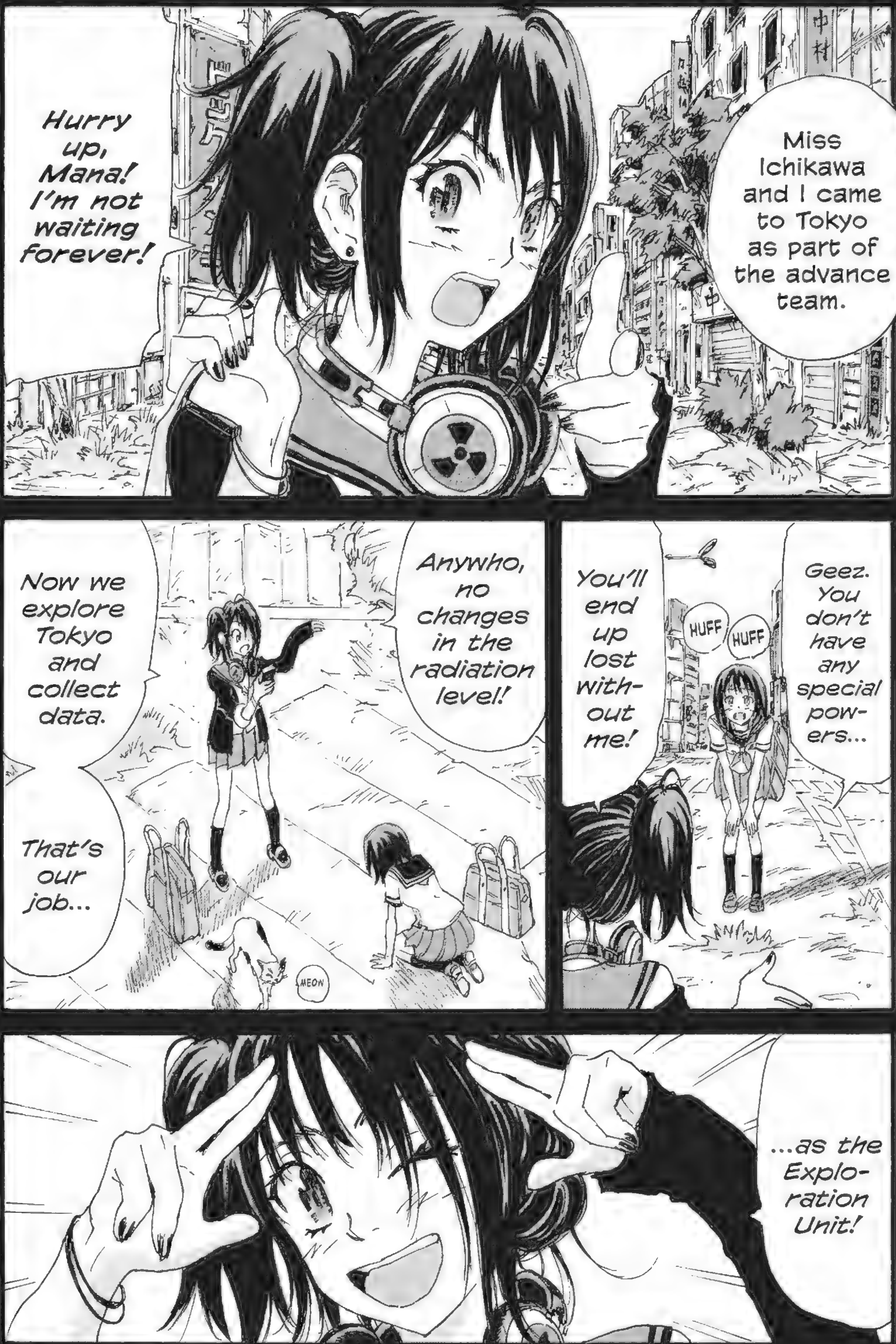

THE KAZAKHSTAN INSURGENTS' BASE—THEY'RE THE CAUSE OF THIS WAR—HAS YET TO BE FOUND.
...

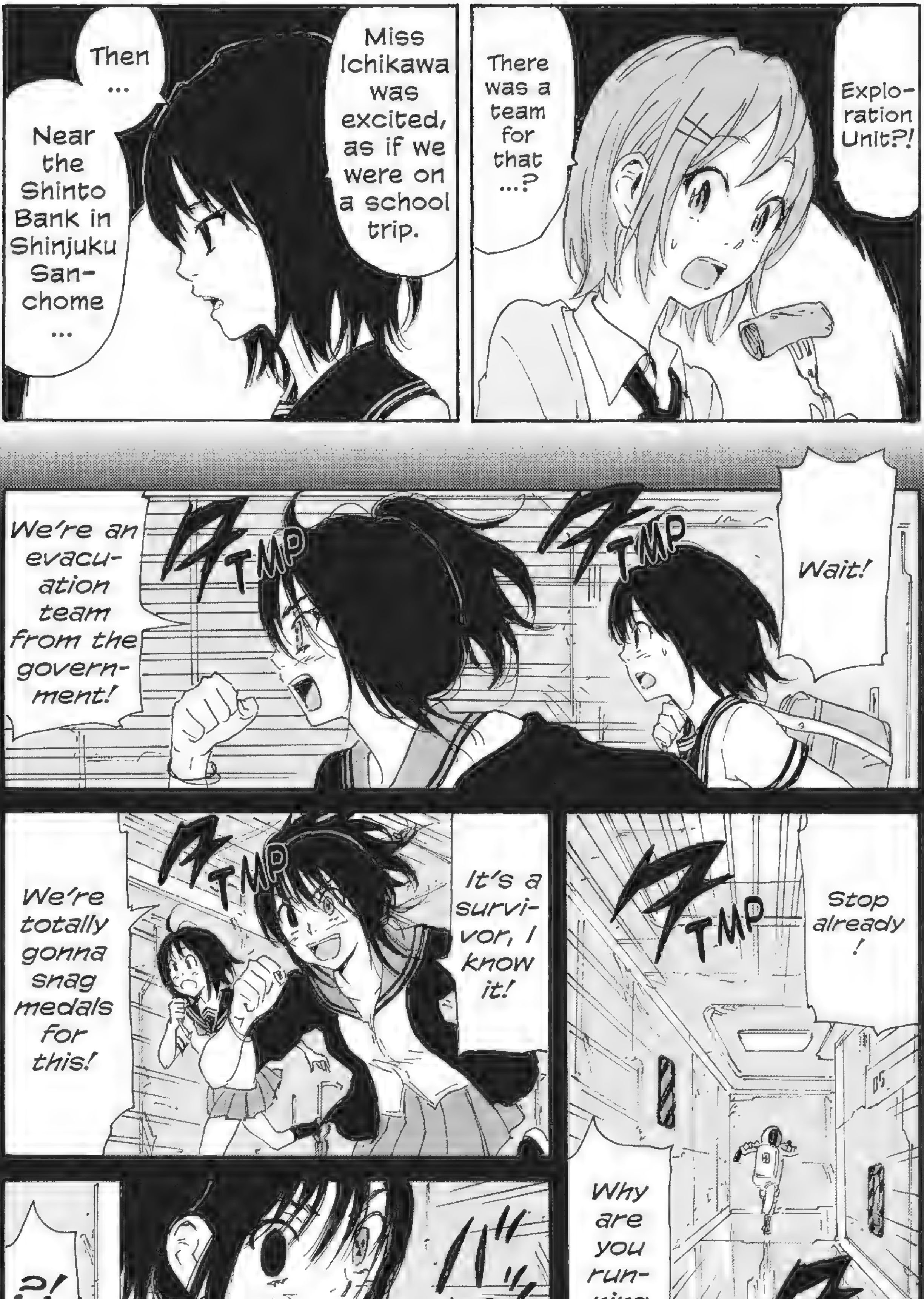

The world's stability is collapsing ...
CLUNK
CLUNK
Just as Dr. Coppelius predicted.

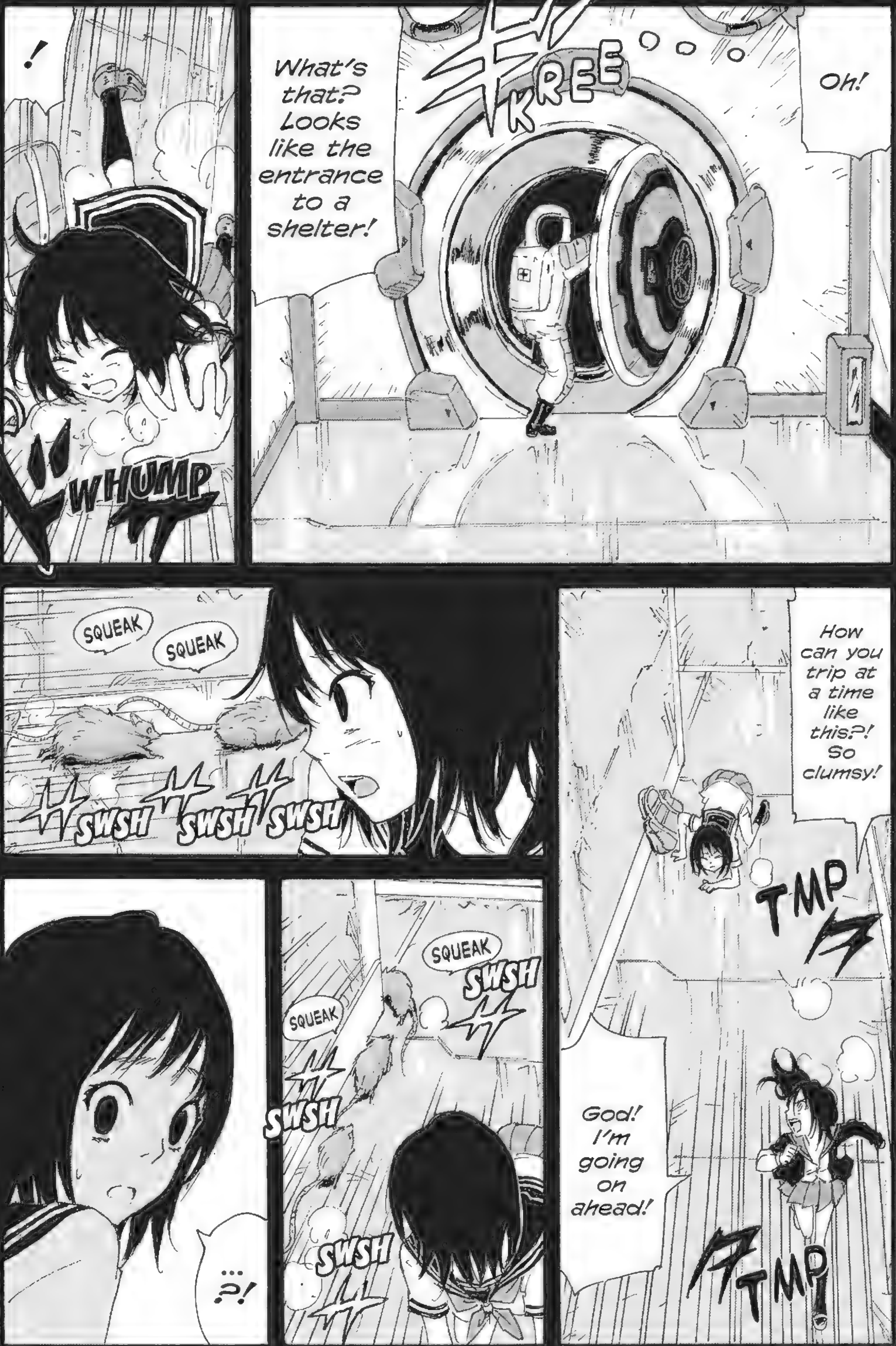

TOKYO UNIVERSITY UNDERGROUND LAB
RUSTLE
RUMMAGE
THUD
CLANK
Tuna ...!
POP
SNIFF SNIFF
TUNA
WAFT
...
BLECH
Urgh... food...
WOBBLE
Mana... I'm sta-aarving ...

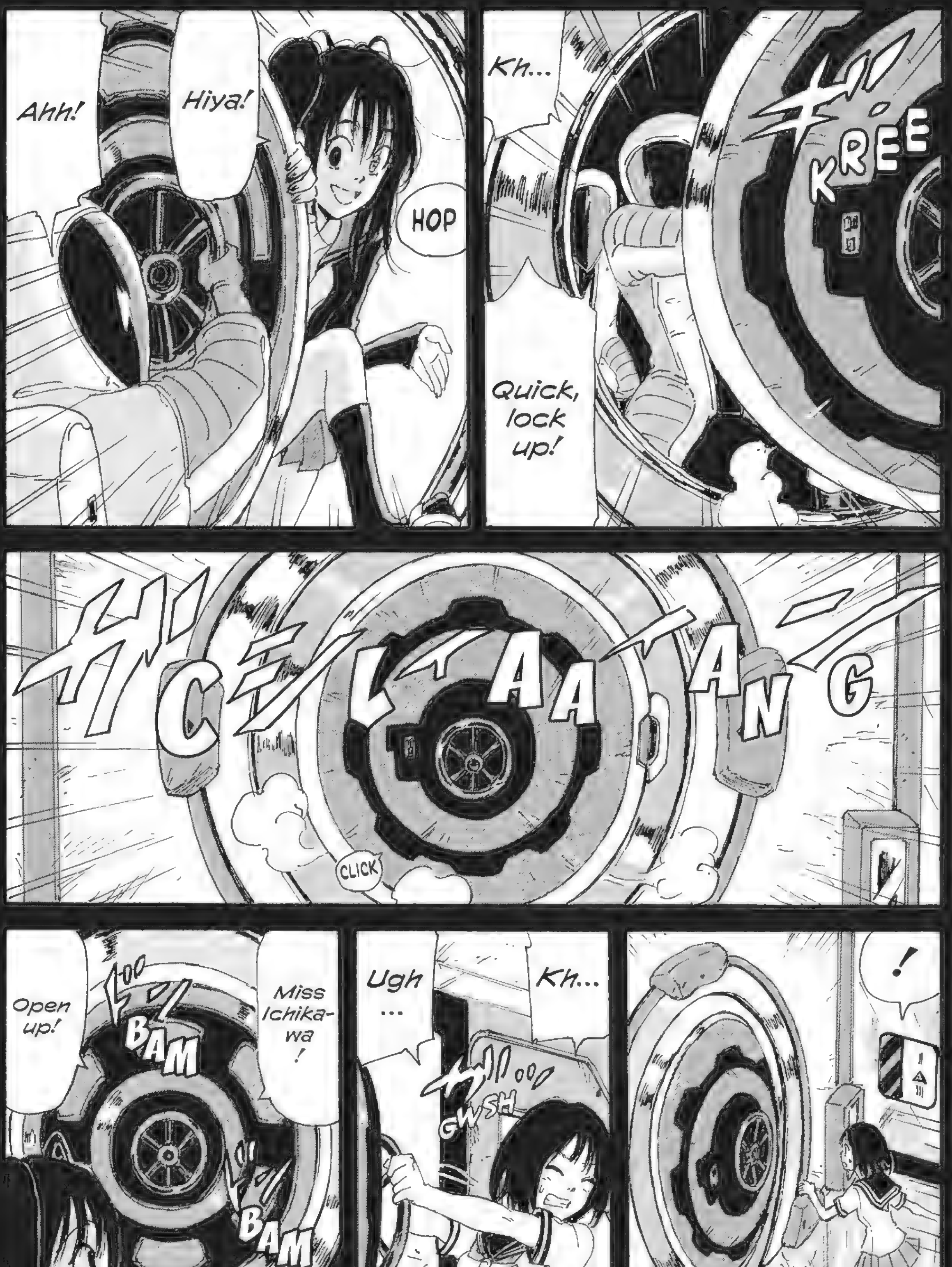

SHIBUYA CENTER STREET
SHIBUYA CENTER STREET
渋谷センター街
FSSSH
OCTOBER 17, 7:15 PM
SHIBUYA CENTER STREET
There you are, Miss Tsuburaya!
I brought dinner!
PLUNK
Mind if I eat with you?

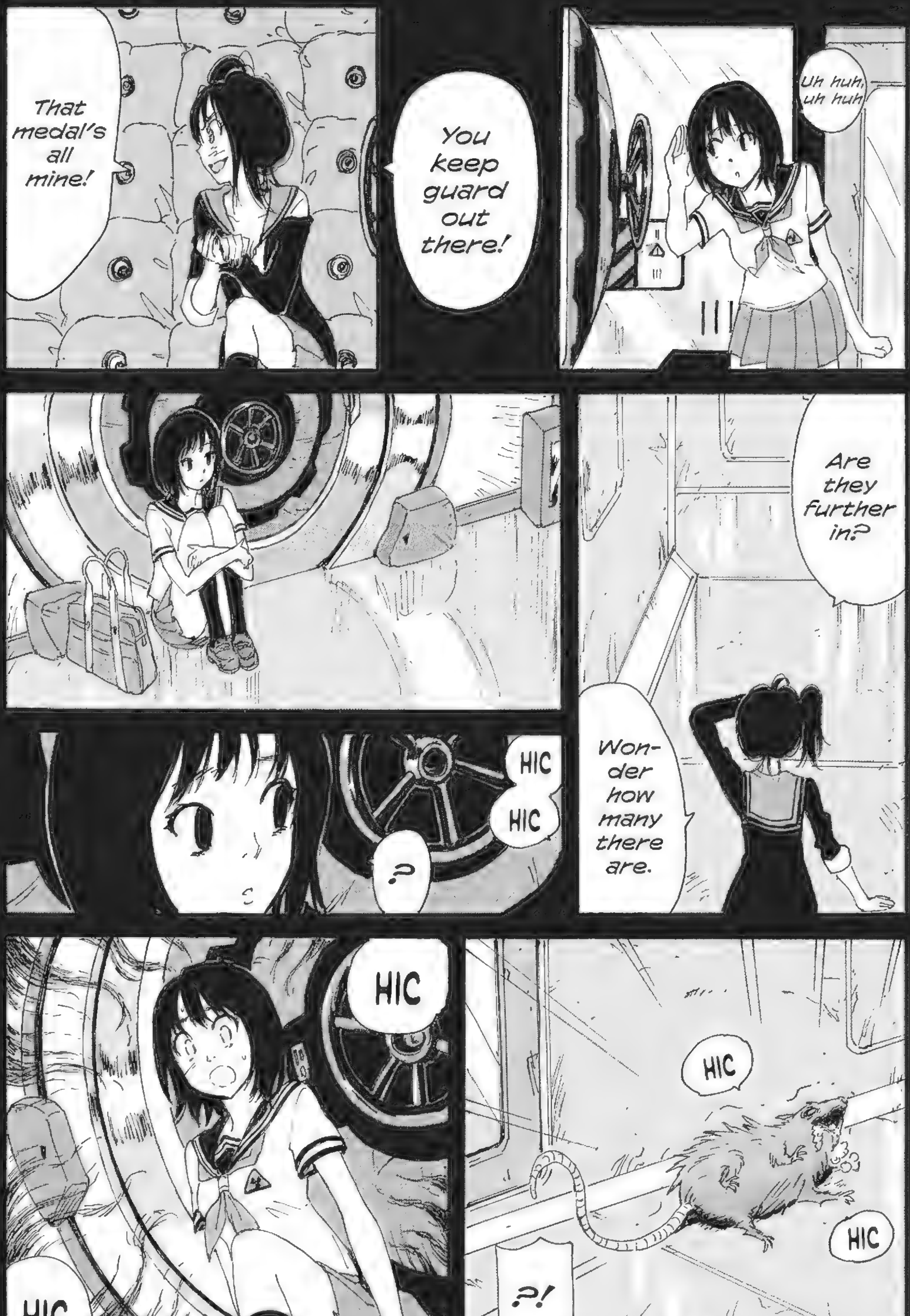

You seem kinda down ...
...
Thinking of someone you want to protect brings out your power.
You taught me that.
The person *you* want to protect...
It's Meisa Ichikawa, isn't it?
What hap-pened to her?
She said she killed people...
...
Miss Ichika-wa and I...

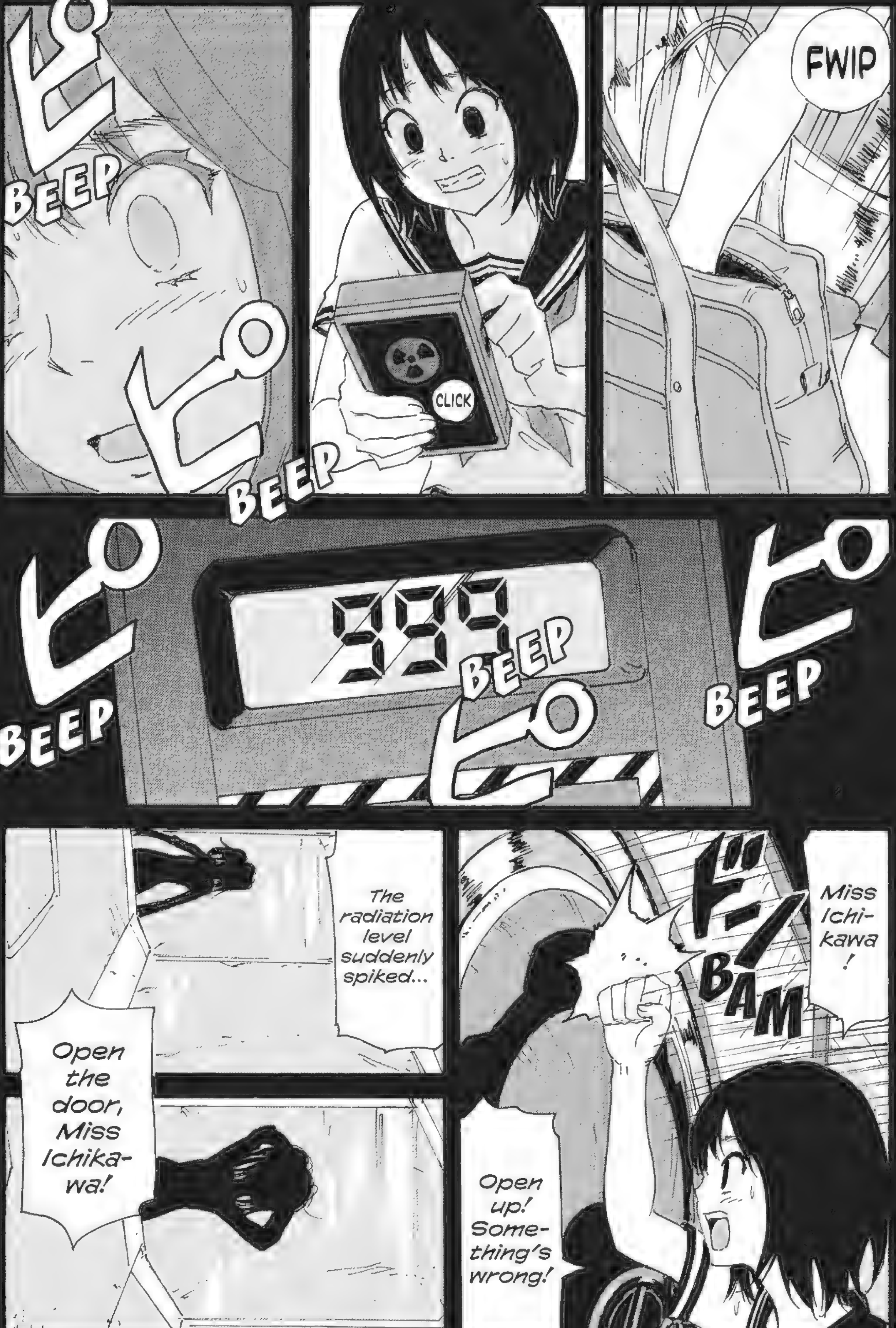

Miss Ichikawa and I came to Tokyo as part of the advance team.
Hurry up, Mana! I'm not waiting forever!
Geez. You don't have any special powers...
HUFF
HUFF
You'll end up lost without me!
Anywho, no changes in the radiation level!
Now we explore Tokyo and collect data.
That's our job...
MEOW
...as the Exploration Unit!


Exploration Unit?!
There was a team for that ...?
Miss Ichikawa was excited, as if we were on a school trip.
Then ...
Near the Shinto Bank in Shinjuku Sanchome ...
Wait!
TMP
TMP
We're an evacuation team from the government!
TMP
Stop already!
Why are you running?!
TMP
It's a survivor, I know it!
TMP
We're totally gonna snag medals for this!
FWAP
?!


Oh!
KREE
What's that? Looks like the entrance to a shelter!
!
WHUMP
How can you trip at a time like this?! So clumsy!
TMP
God! I'm going on ahead!
TMP
SQUEAK
SQUEAK
SWSH
SWSH
SWSH
SQUEAK
SWSH
SQUEAK
SWSH
SWSH
...
?!


Kh...
Quick, lock up!
KREE
Hiya!
Ahh!
HOP
CLAAAANG
CLICK
!
TMP
TMP
Kh...
Ugh ...
GWSH
Miss Ichika-wa!
Open up!
BAM
BAM
?!


That medal's all mine!
You keep guard out there!
Uh huh, uh huh
Are they further in?
Wonder how many there are.
HIC
HIC
?
HIC
HIC
HIC
HIC
?!


FWIP
CLICK
ピ
BEEP
ピ
BEEP
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BEEP
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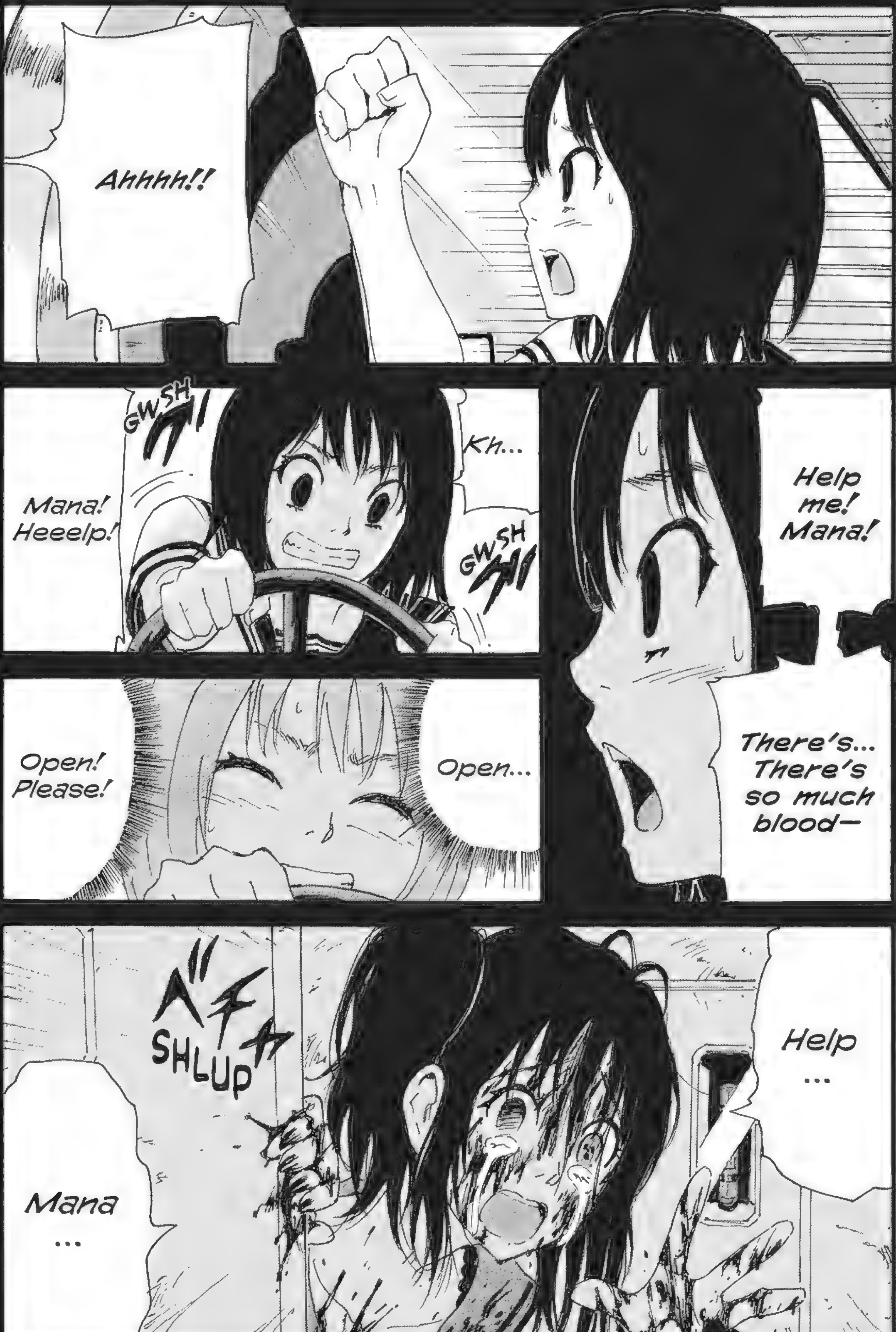
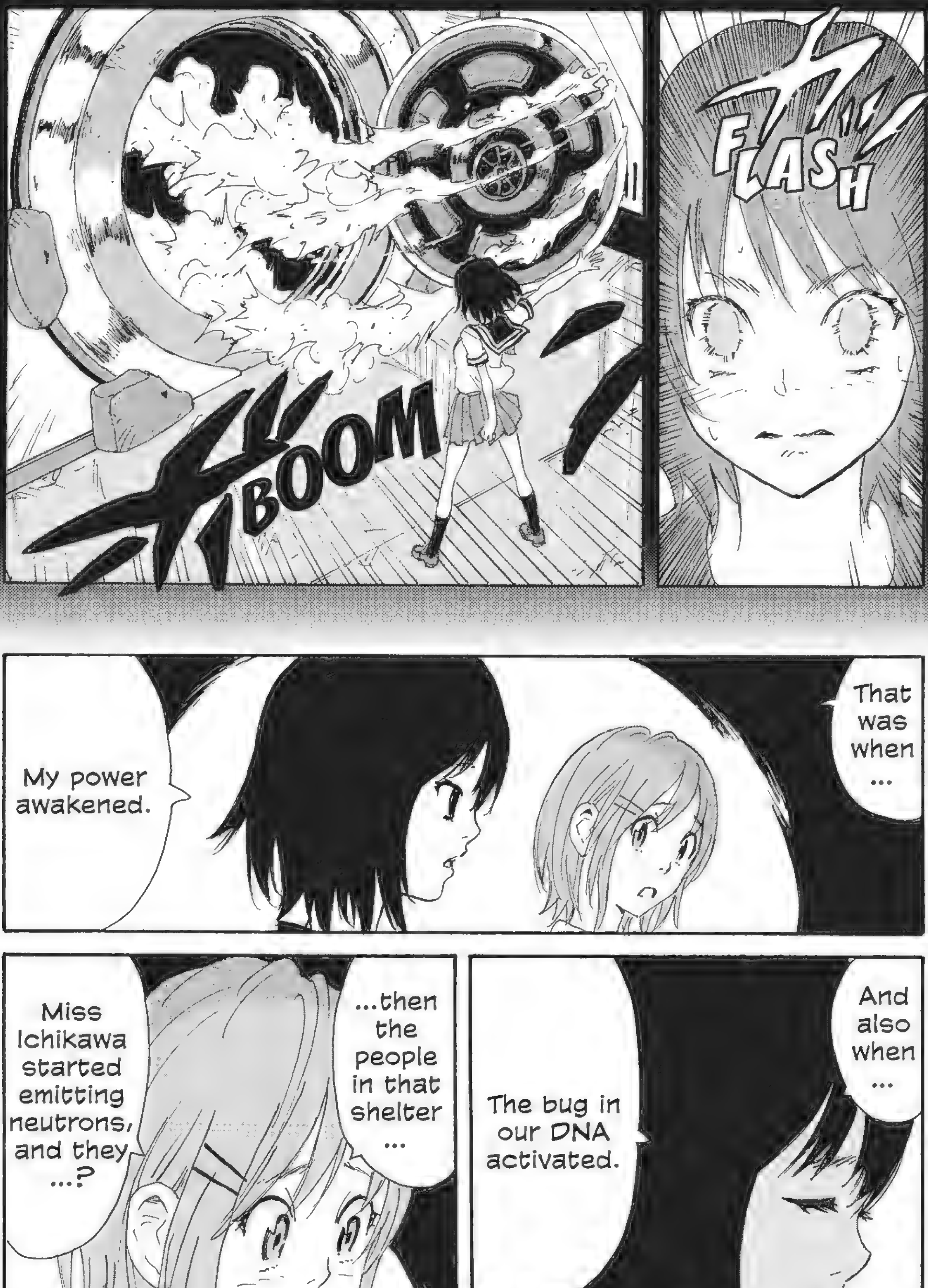
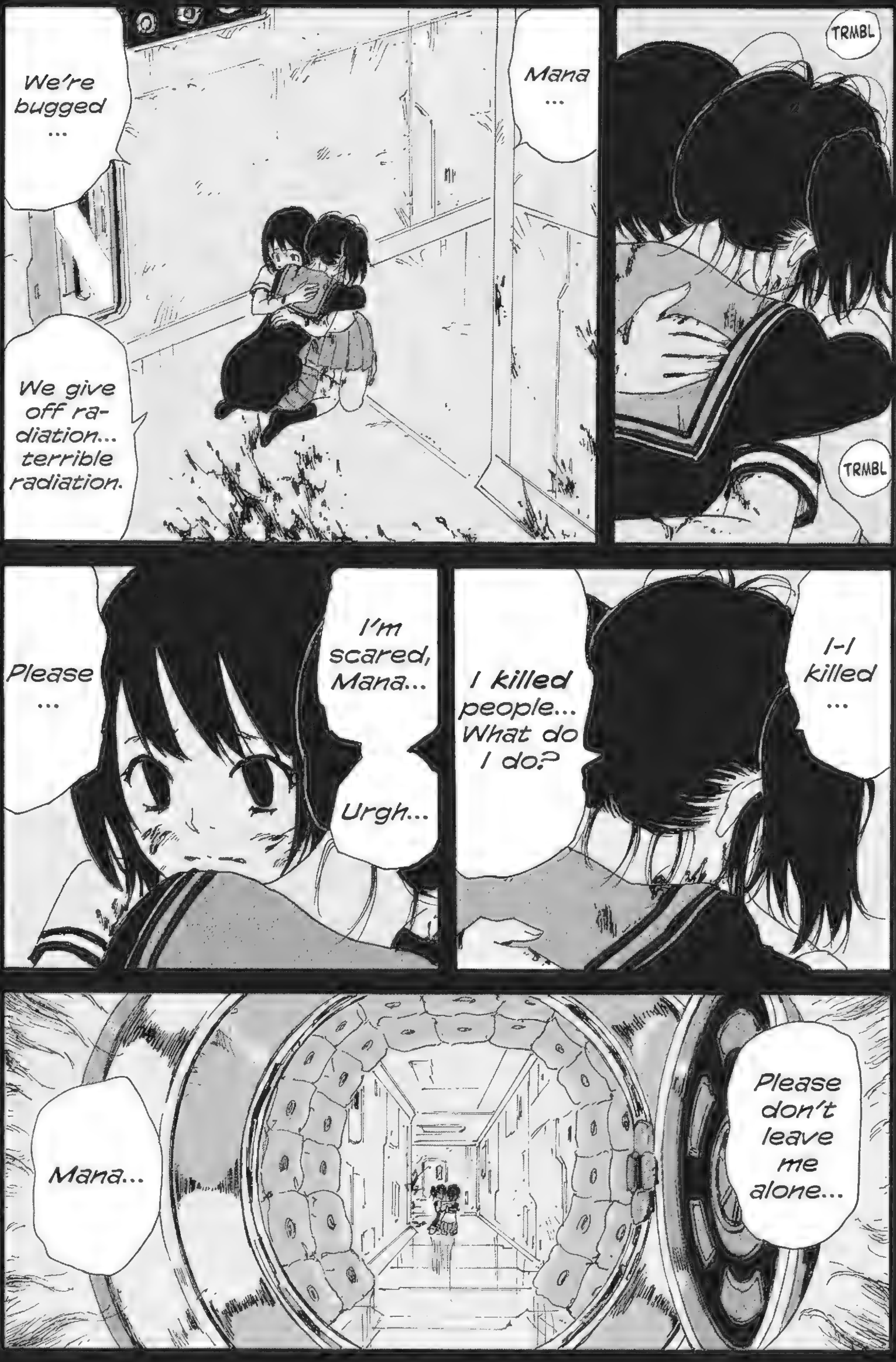
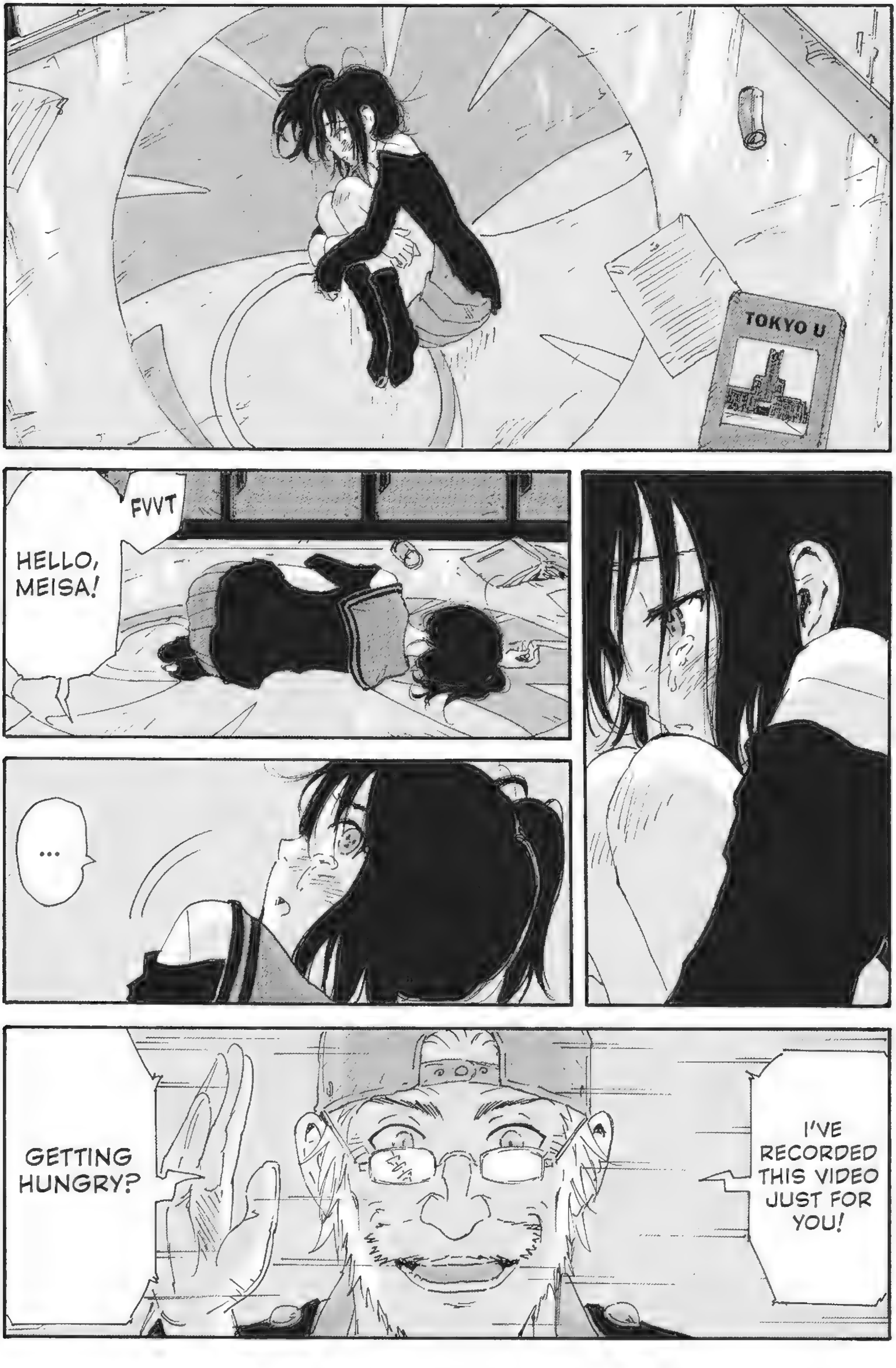
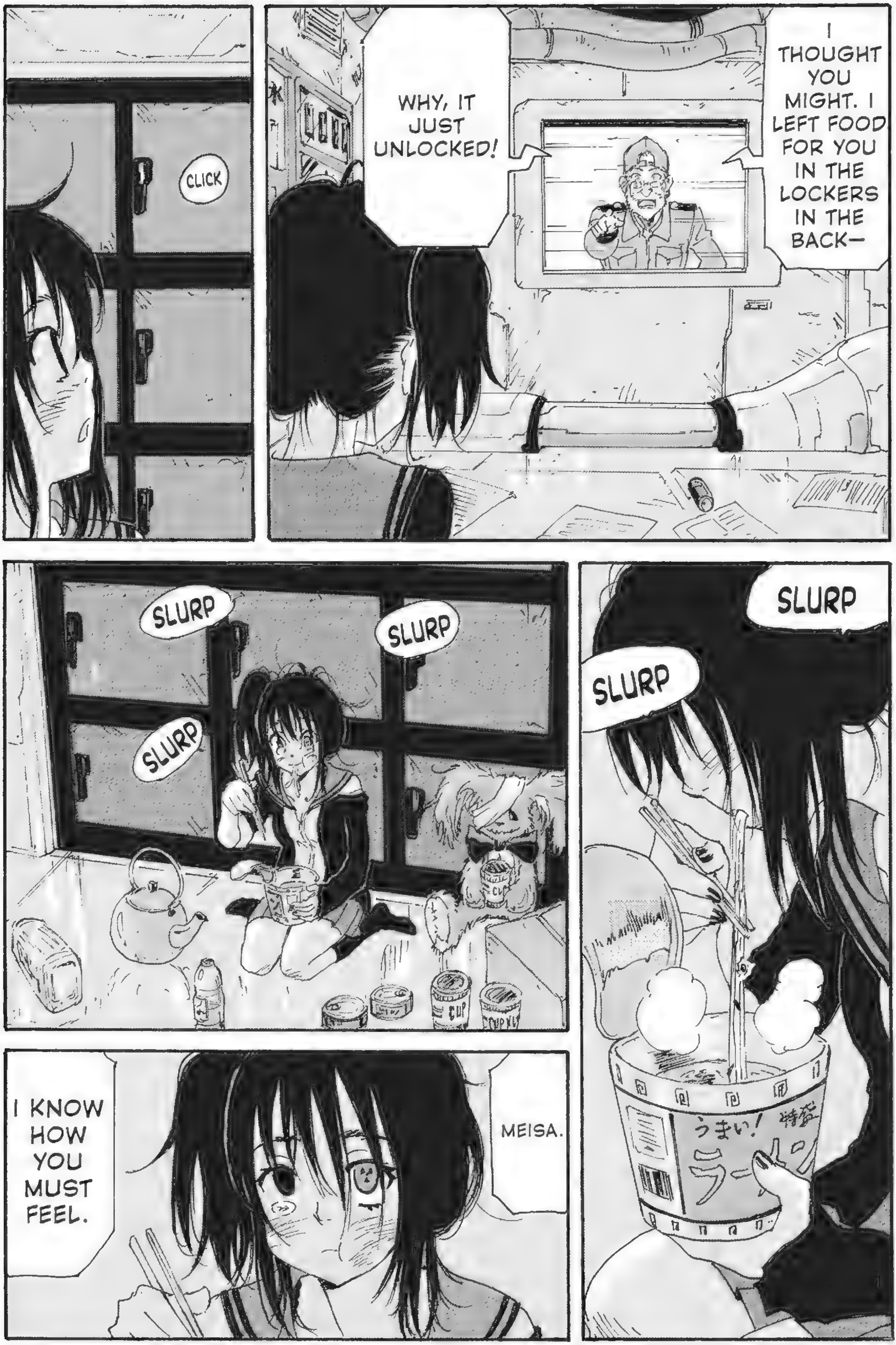
BEEP
Miss Ichikawa!
ド
BAM
Open up! Something's wrong!
The radiation level suddenly spiked...
Open the door, Miss Ichikawa!

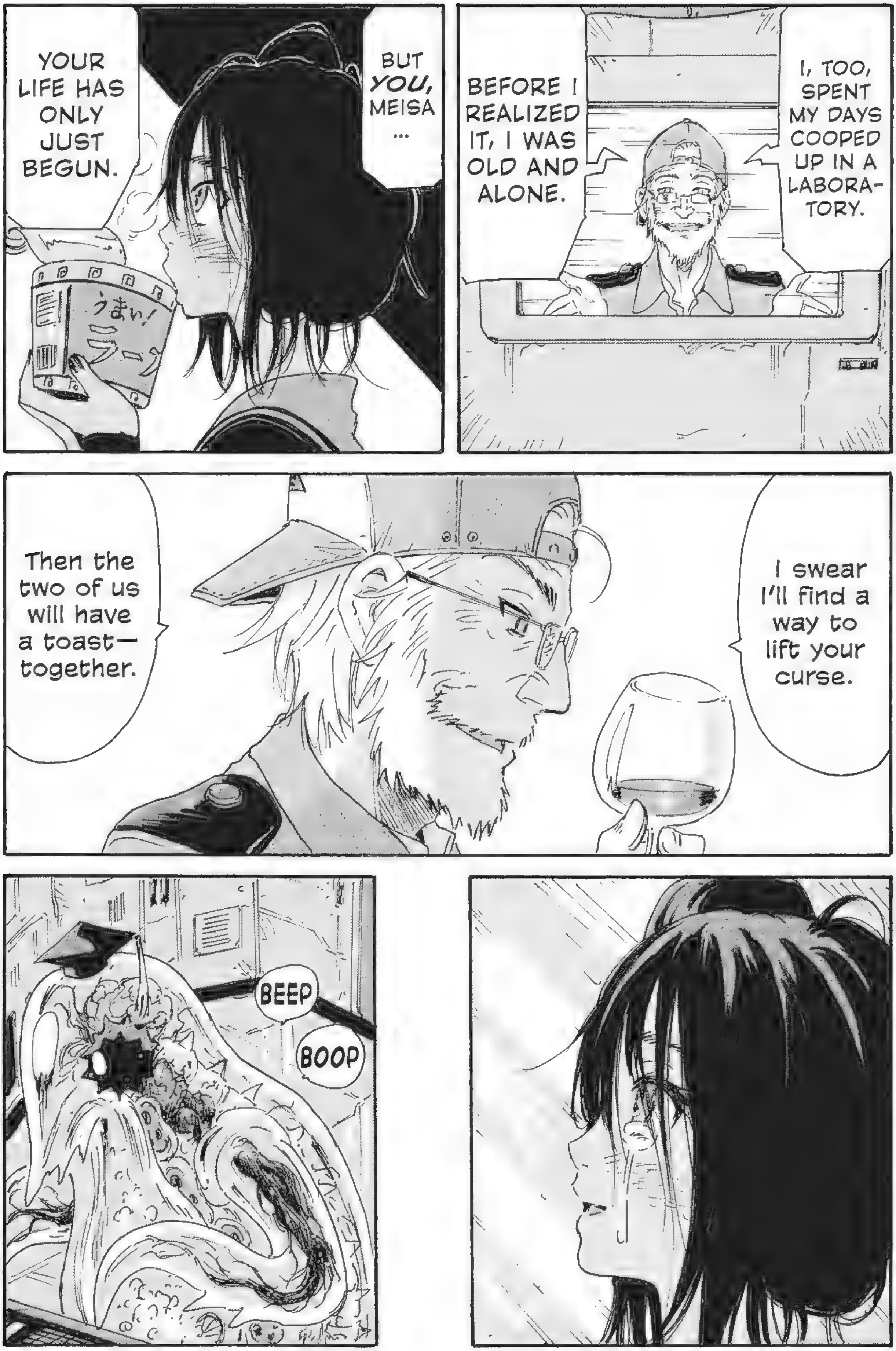

Ahhhh!!
Help me! Mana!
Kh...
GWSH
Mana! Heeelp!
GWSH
There's... There's so much blood—
Open...
Open! Please!
Help ...
SHLUP
Mana ...

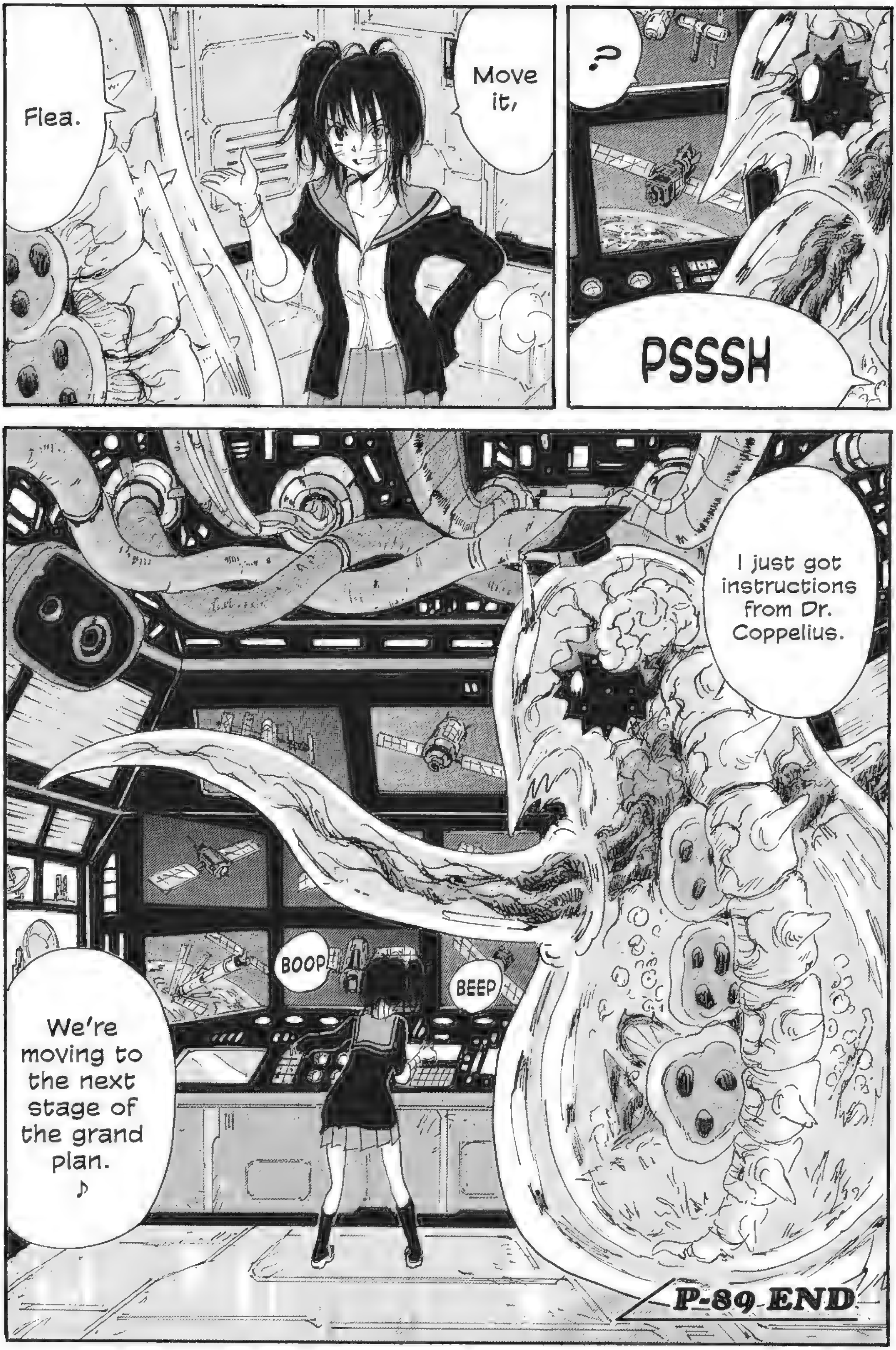

FLASH
BOOM
That was when ...
My power awakened.
And also when ...
The bug in our DNA activated.
...then the people in that shelter ...
Miss Ichikawa started emitting neutrons, and they ...?


TRMBL
Mana ...
TRMBL
We're bugged ...
We give off radiation... terrible radiation.
I-I killed ...
I killed people... What do I do?
I'm scared, Mana...
Urgh...
Please ...
Please don't leave me alone...
Mana...


TOKYO U
FVVT
HELLO, MEISA!
...
I'VE RECORDED THIS VIDEO JUST FOR YOU!
GETTING HUNGRY?


CLICK
WHY, IT JUST UNLOCKED!
I THOUGHT YOU MIGHT. I LEFT FOOD FOR YOU IN THE LOCKERS IN THE BACK—
SLURP
SLURP
SLURP
SLURP
SLURP
うまい! 特盛
ラーメン
CUP
I KNOW HOW YOU MUST FEEL.
MEISA.


I, TOO, SPENT MY DAYS COOPED UP IN A LABORATORY.
BEFORE I REALIZED IT, I WAS OLD AND ALONE.
BUT *YOU,* MEISA...
YOUR LIFE HAS ONLY JUST BEGUN.
うまい!
I swear I'll find a way to lift your curse.
Then the two of us will have a toast—together.
BEEP
BOOP


Move it,
Flea.
?
PSSSH
I just got instructions from Dr. Coppelius.
BOOP
BEEP
We're moving to the next stage of the grand plan. ♪
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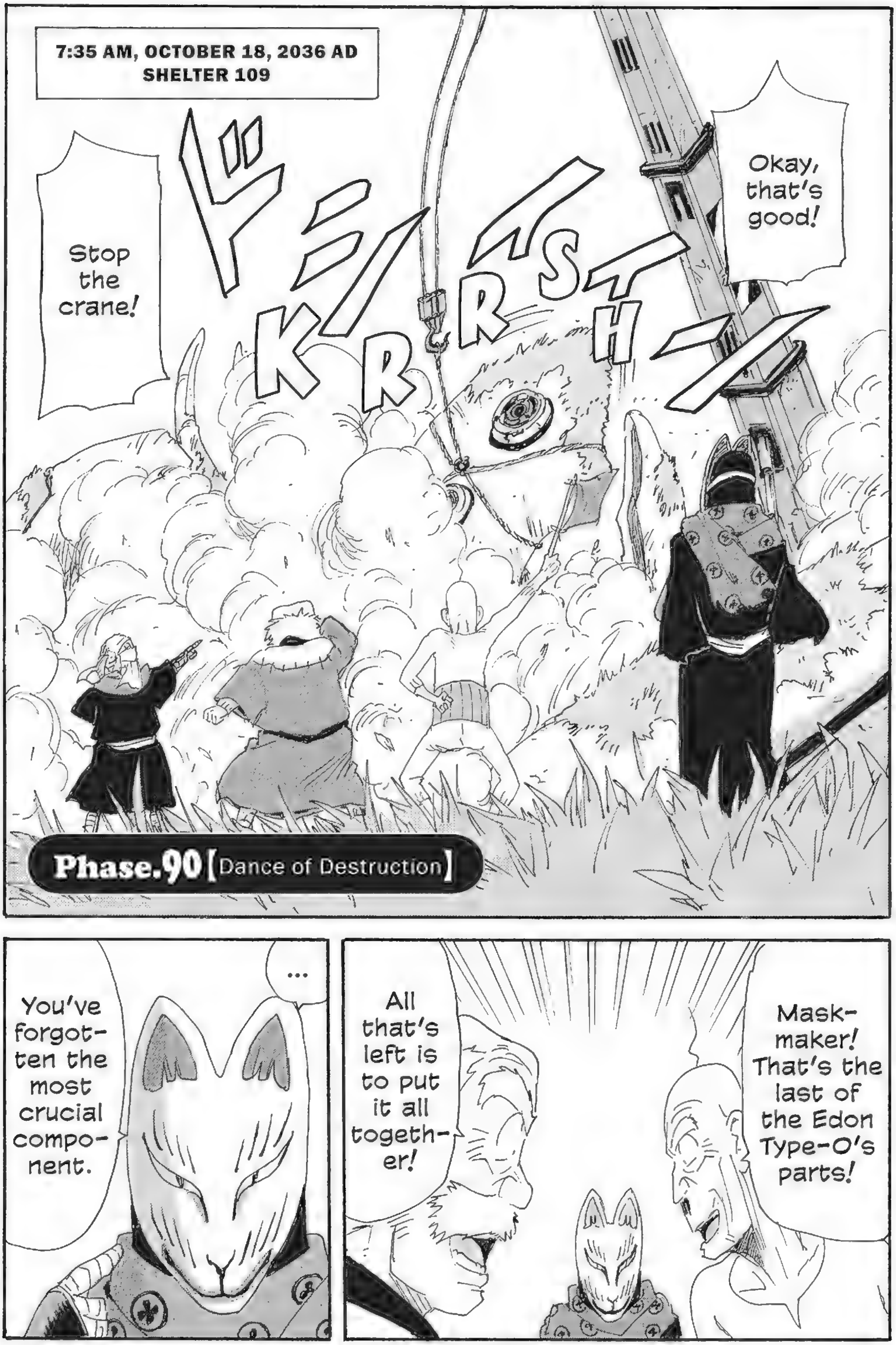
Phase.90 [Dance of Destruction]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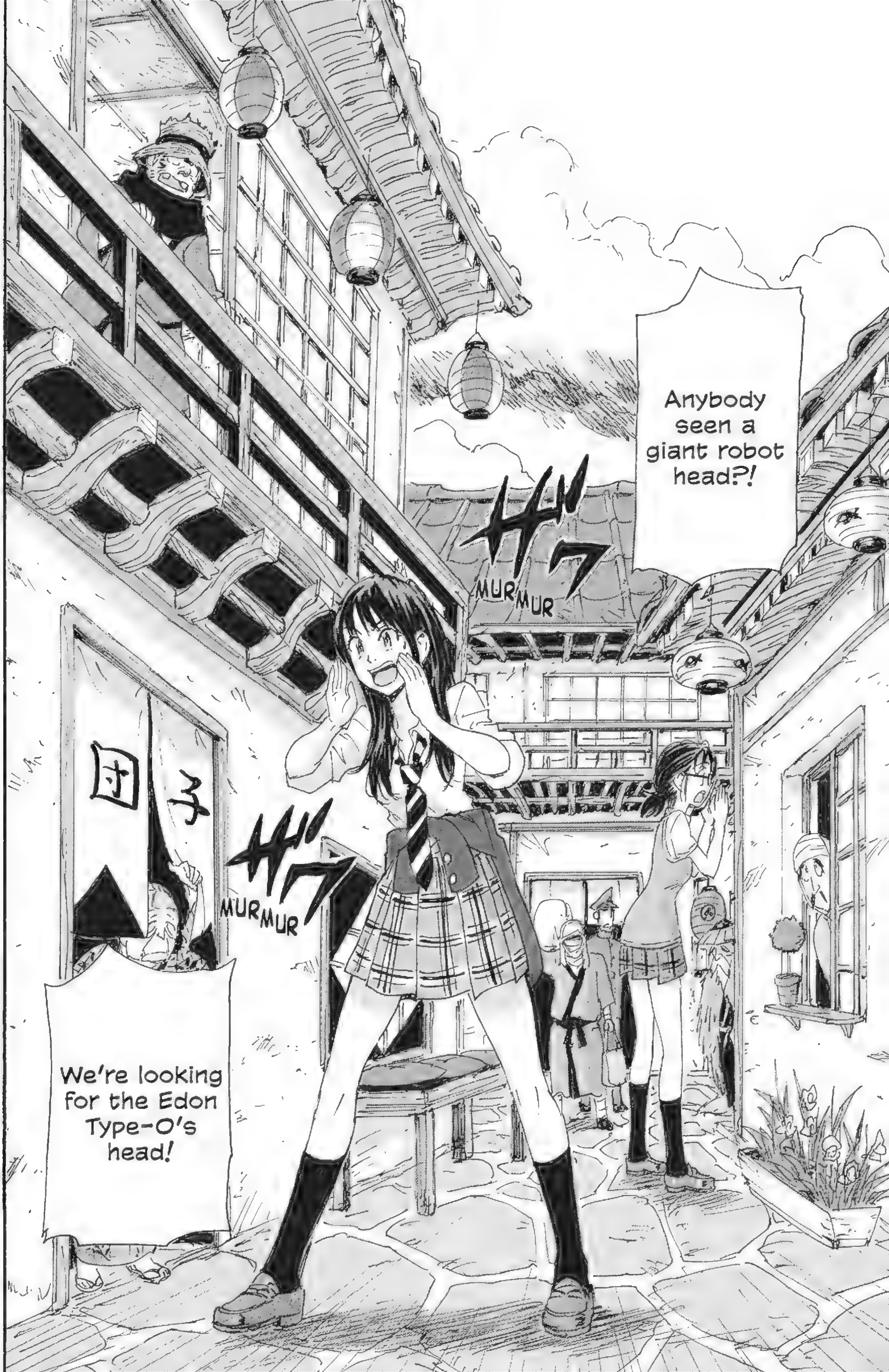
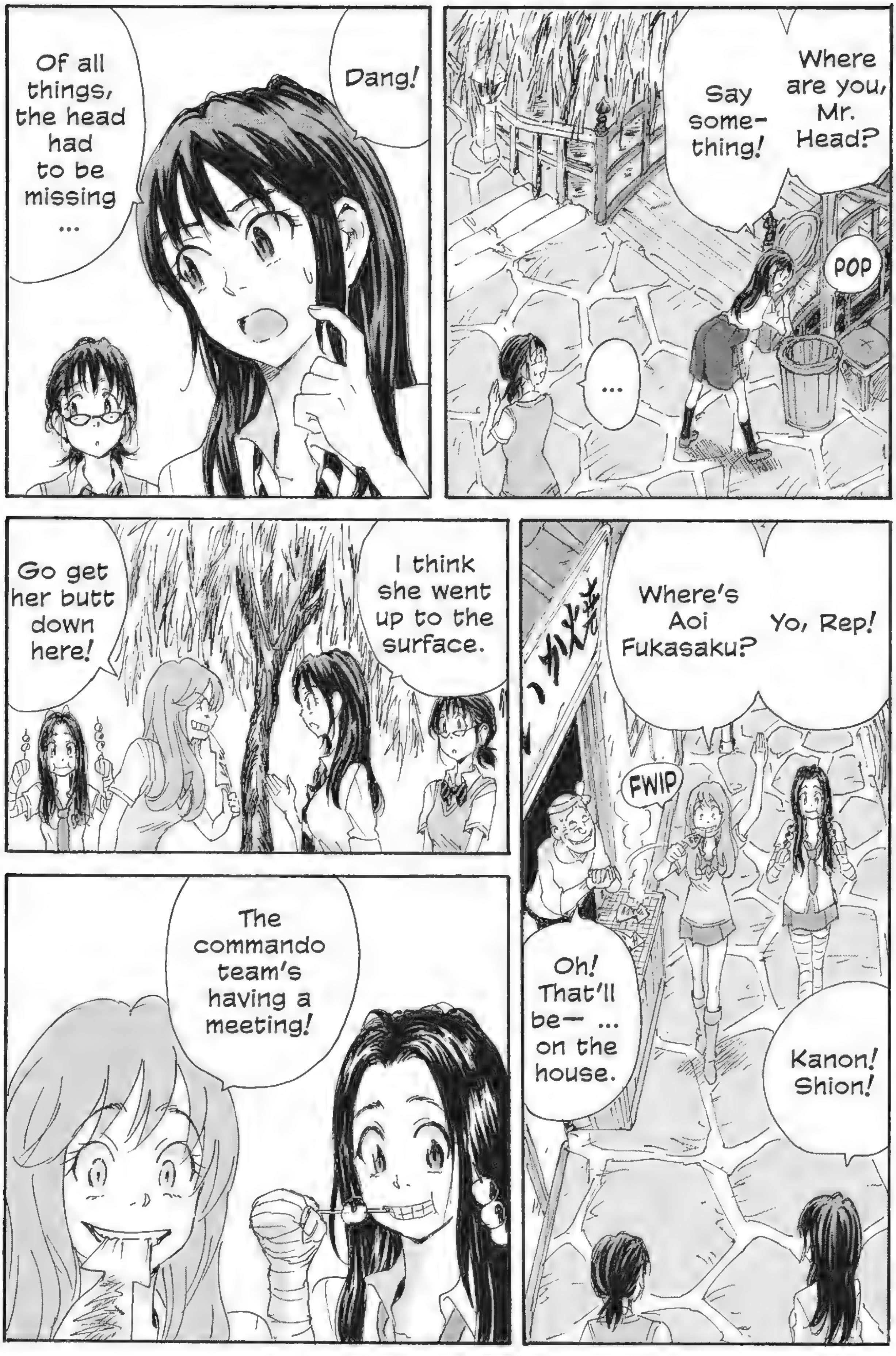
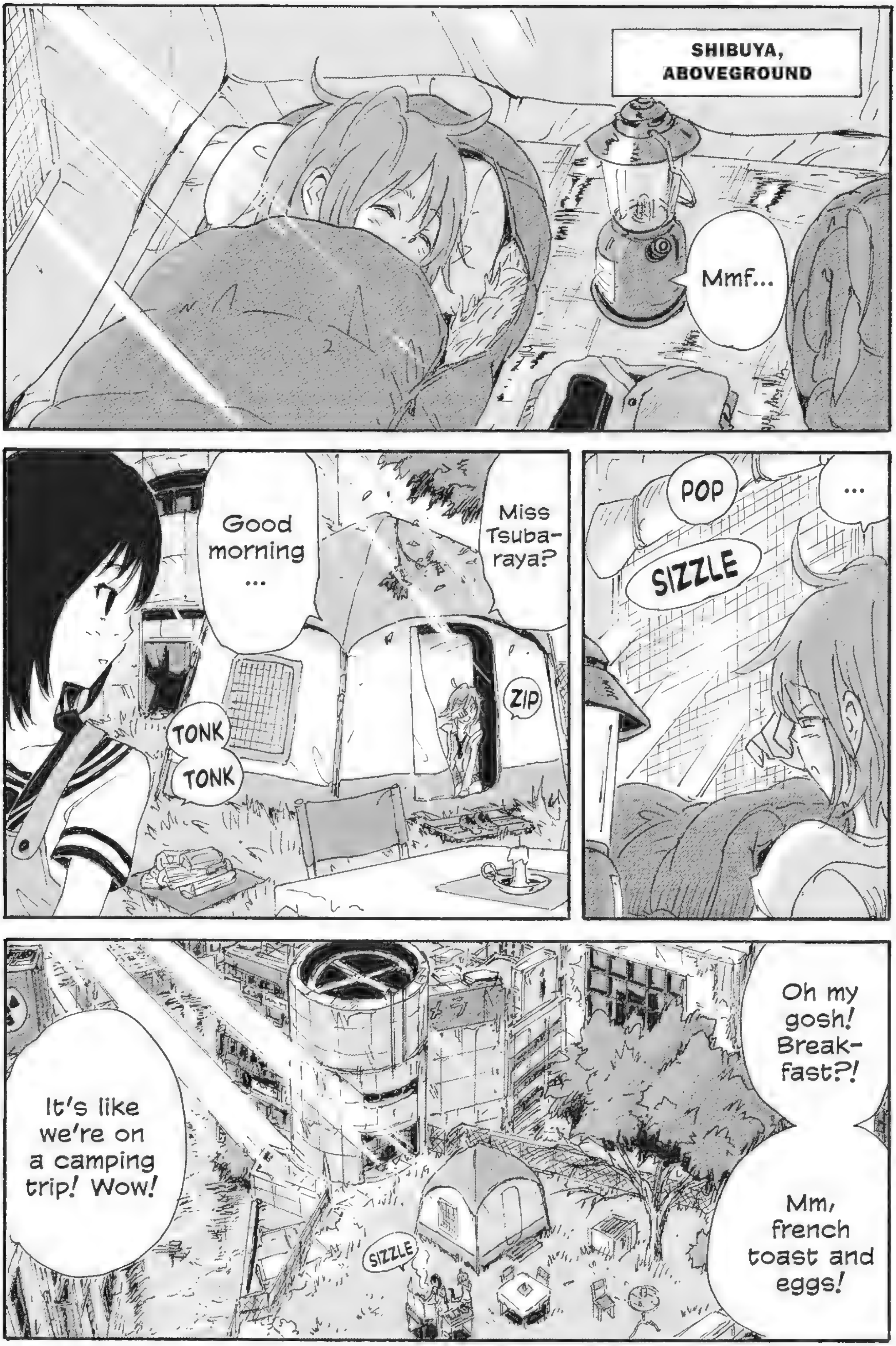
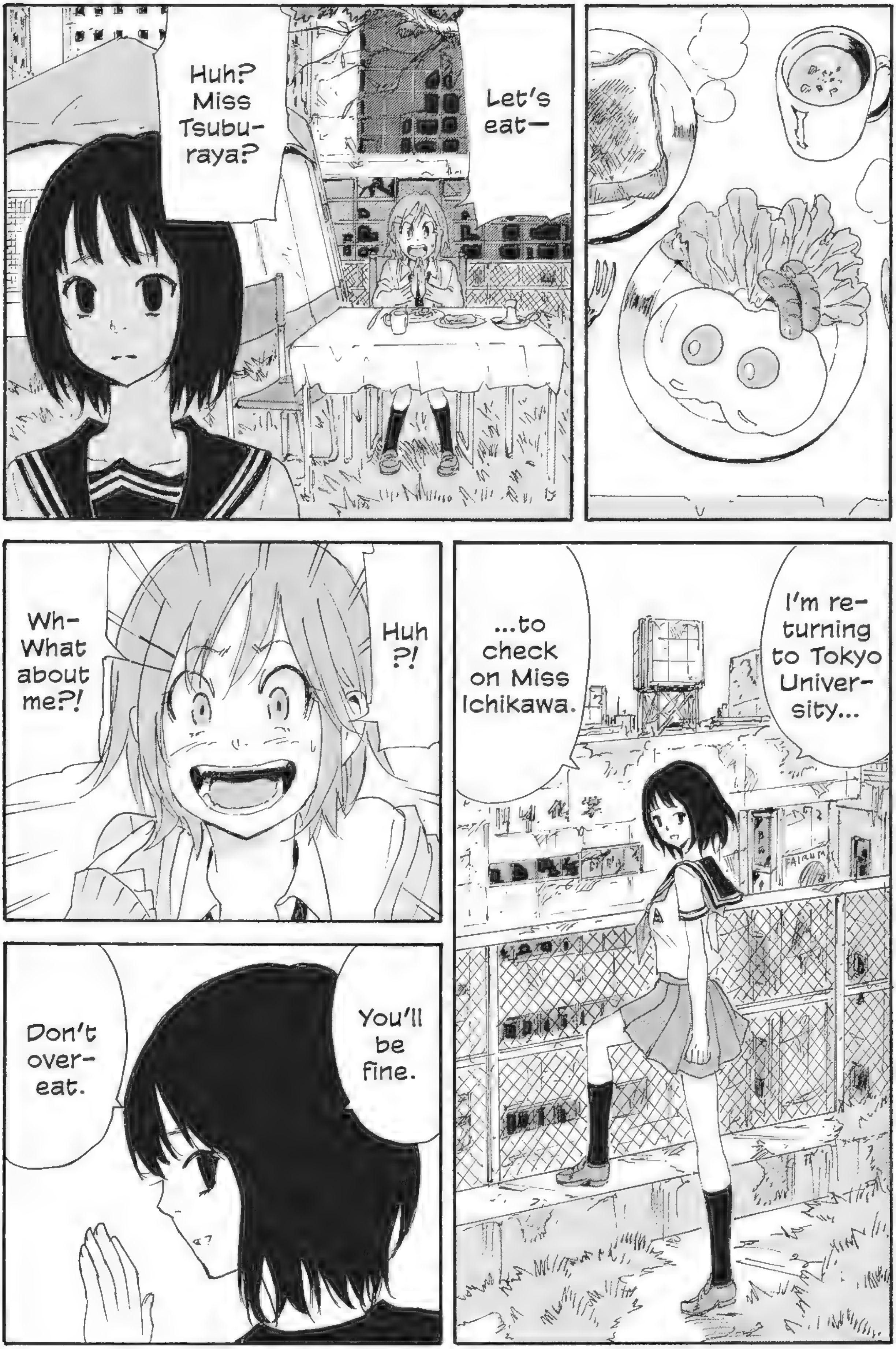
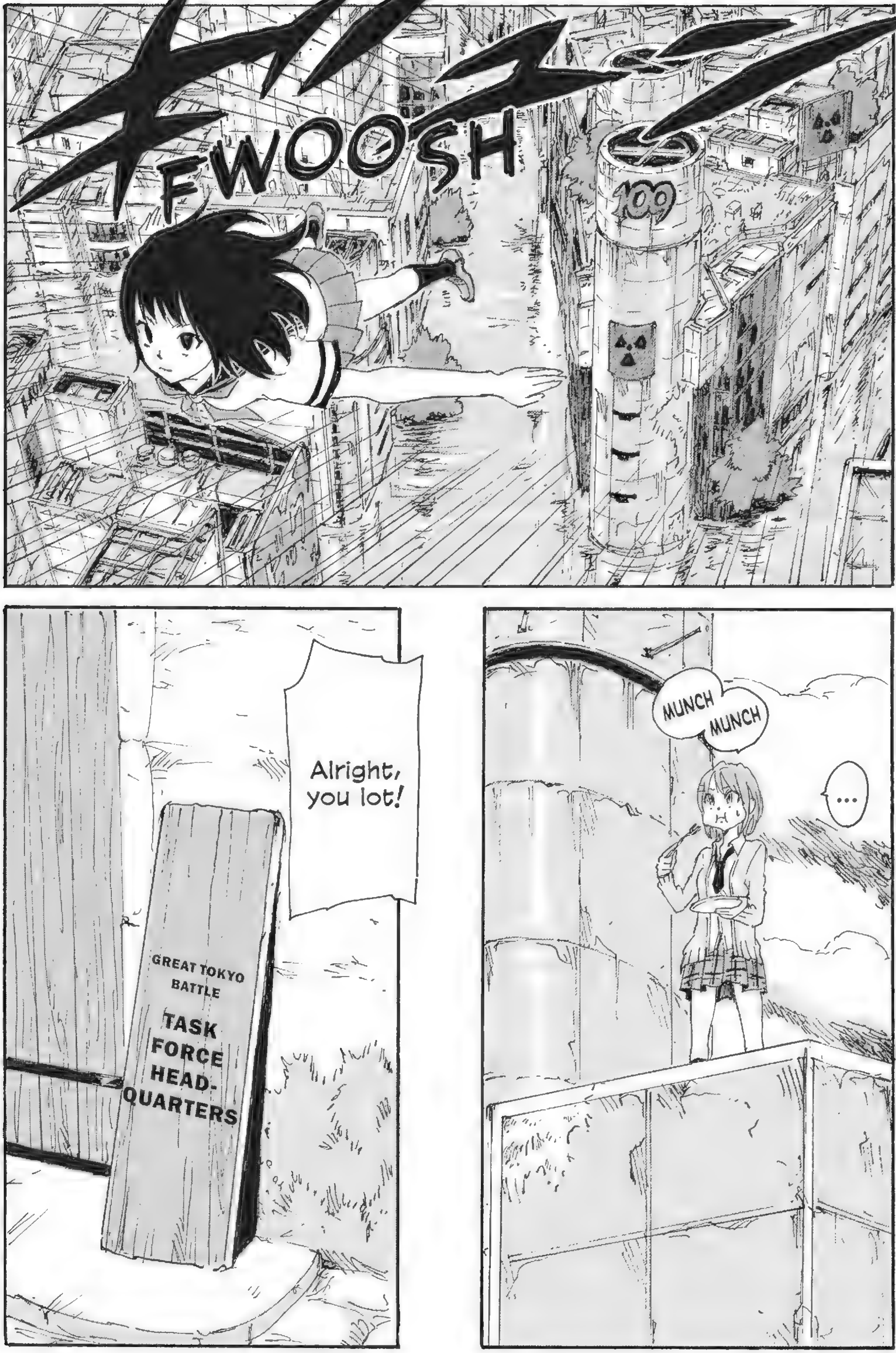
Okay, that's good!
KRRSSH
ドシャーン
Stop the crane!
Mask-maker! That's the last of the Edon Type-O's parts!
All that's left is to put it all together!
...
You've forgotten the most crucial component.

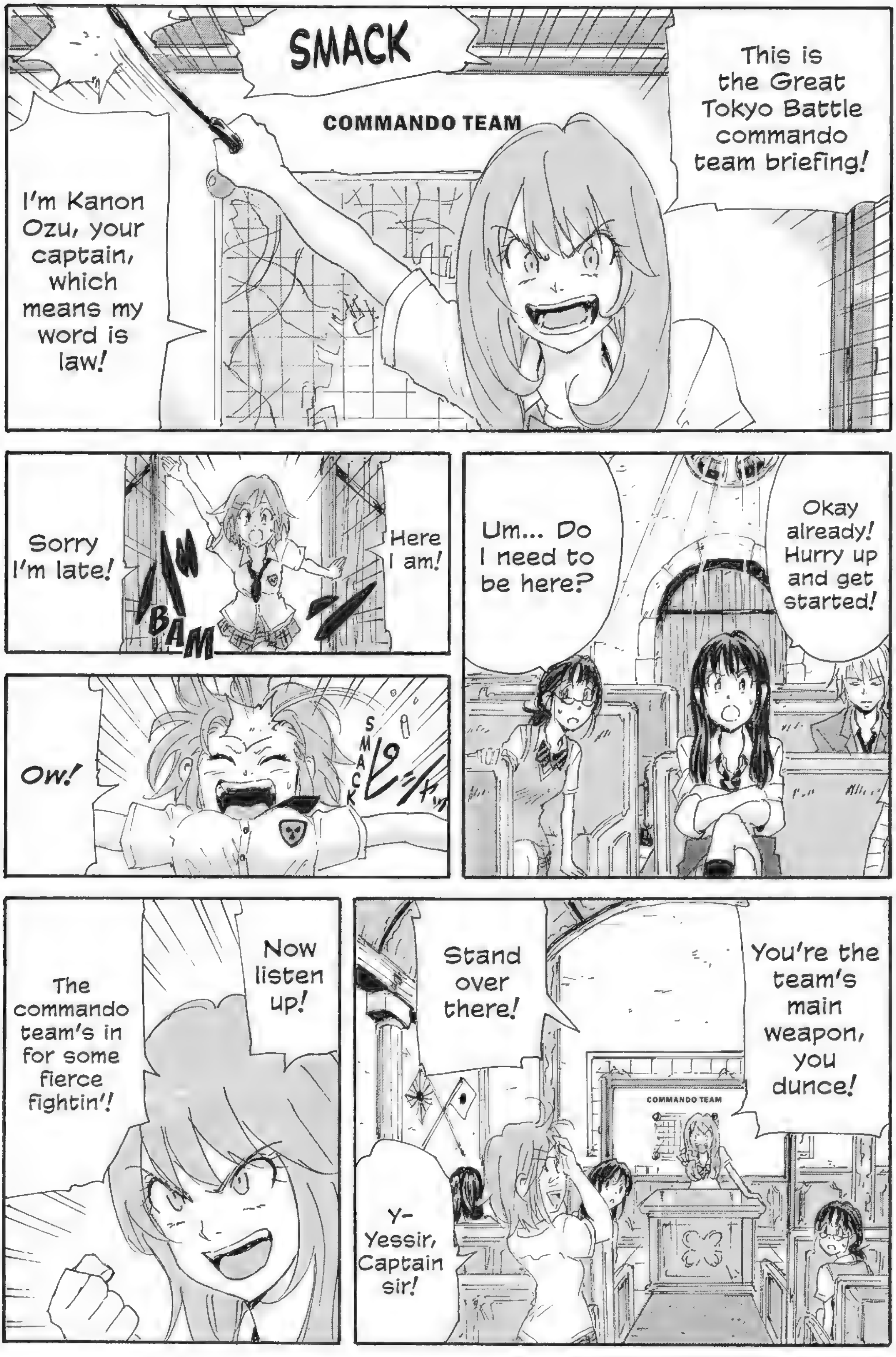

Anybody seen a giant robot head?!
ザワ
MURMUR
団子
ザワ
MURMUR
We're looking for the Edon Type-O's head!

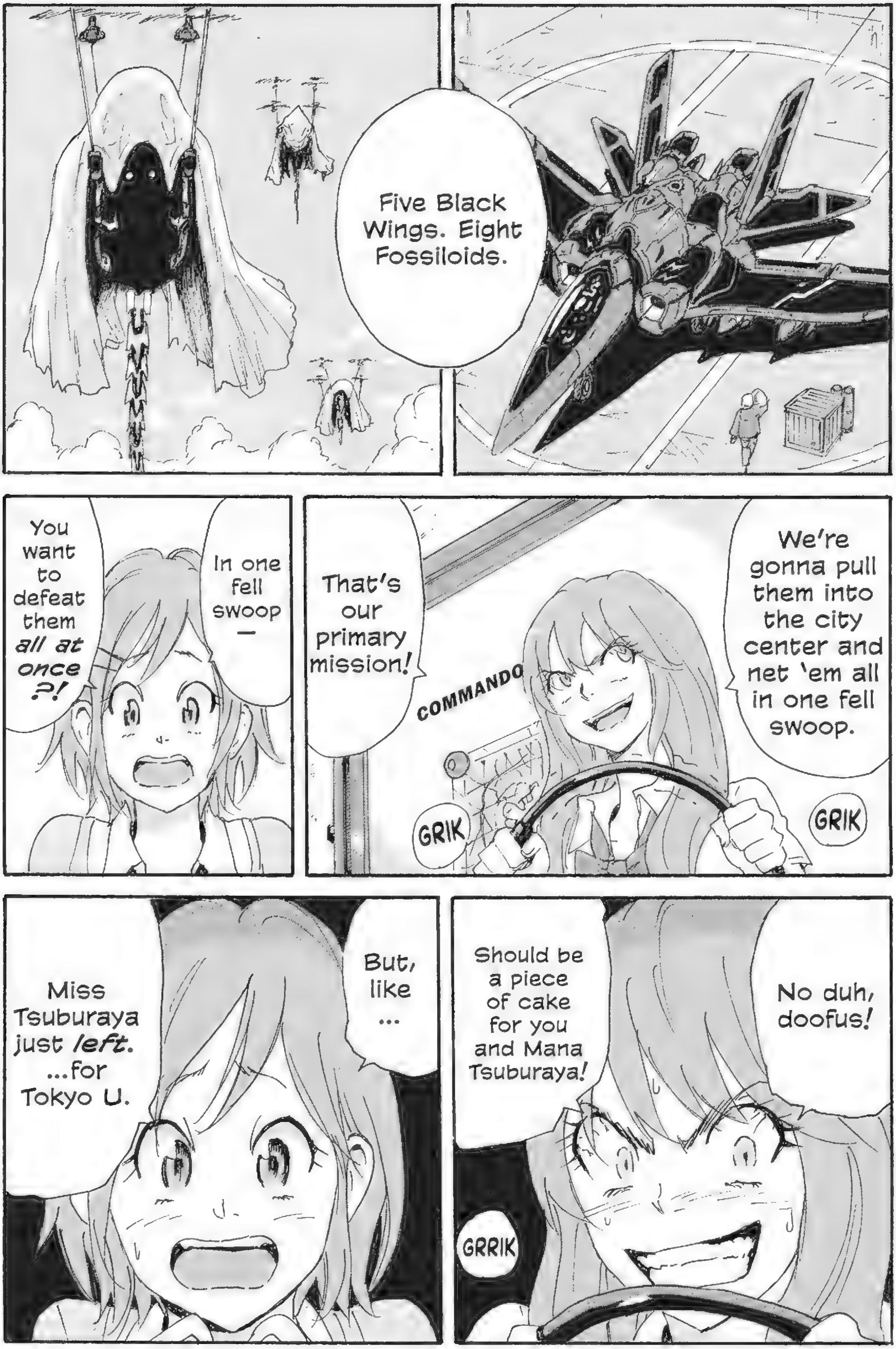

Where are you, Mr. Head?
Say something!
POP
...
Dang!
Of all things, the head had to be missing ...
Yo, Rep!
Where's Aoi Fukasaku?
FWIP
Oh! That'll be— ... on the house.
Kanon! Shion!
I think she went up to the surface.
Go get her butt down here!
The commando team's having a meeting!

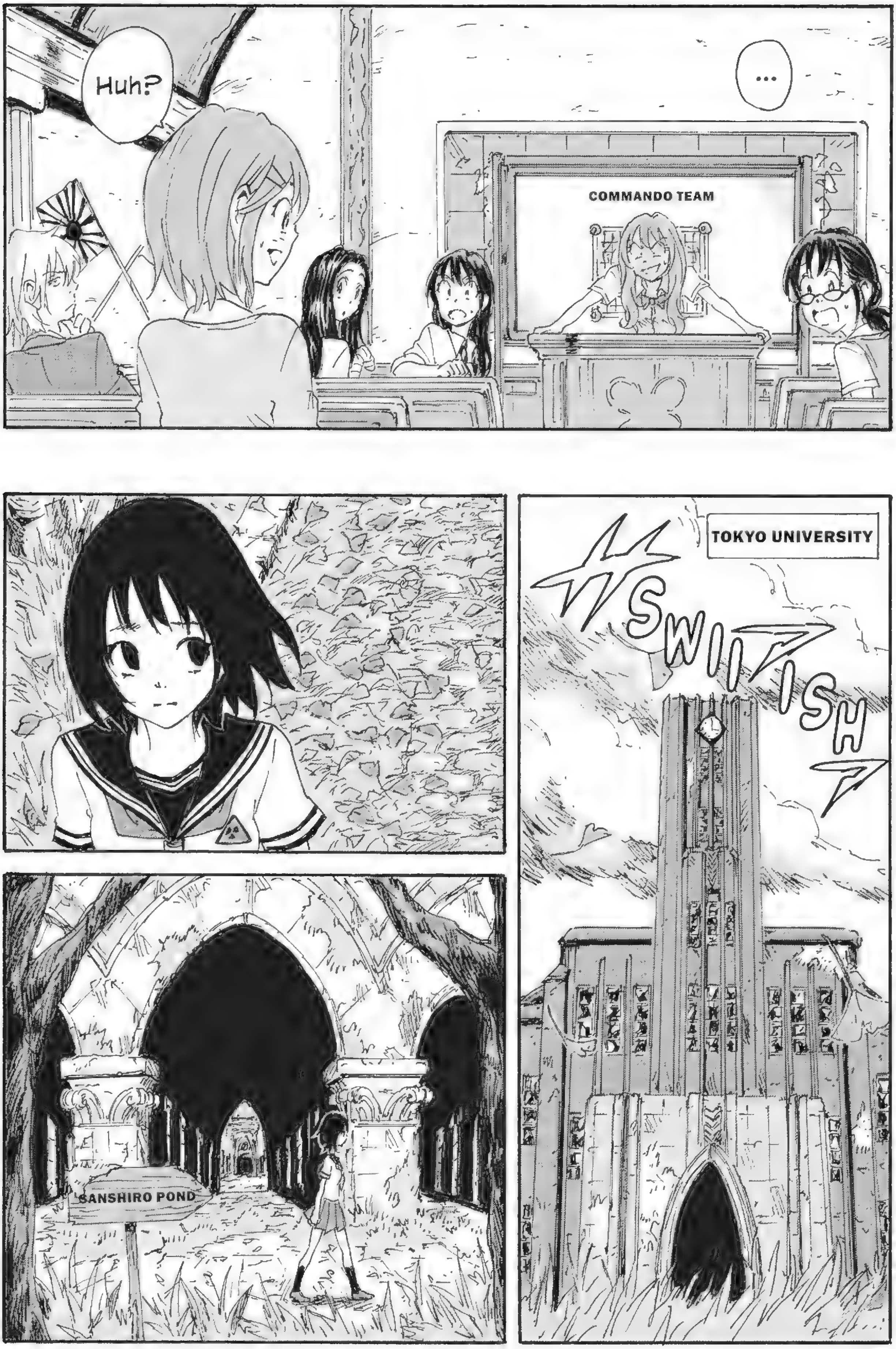

SHIBUYA, ABOVEGROUND
Mmf...
...
POP
SIZZLE
Miss Tsubaraya?
ZIP
Good morning...
TONK
TONK
Oh my gosh! Breakfast?!
Mm, french toast and eggs!
SIZZLE
It's like we're on a camping trip! Wow!

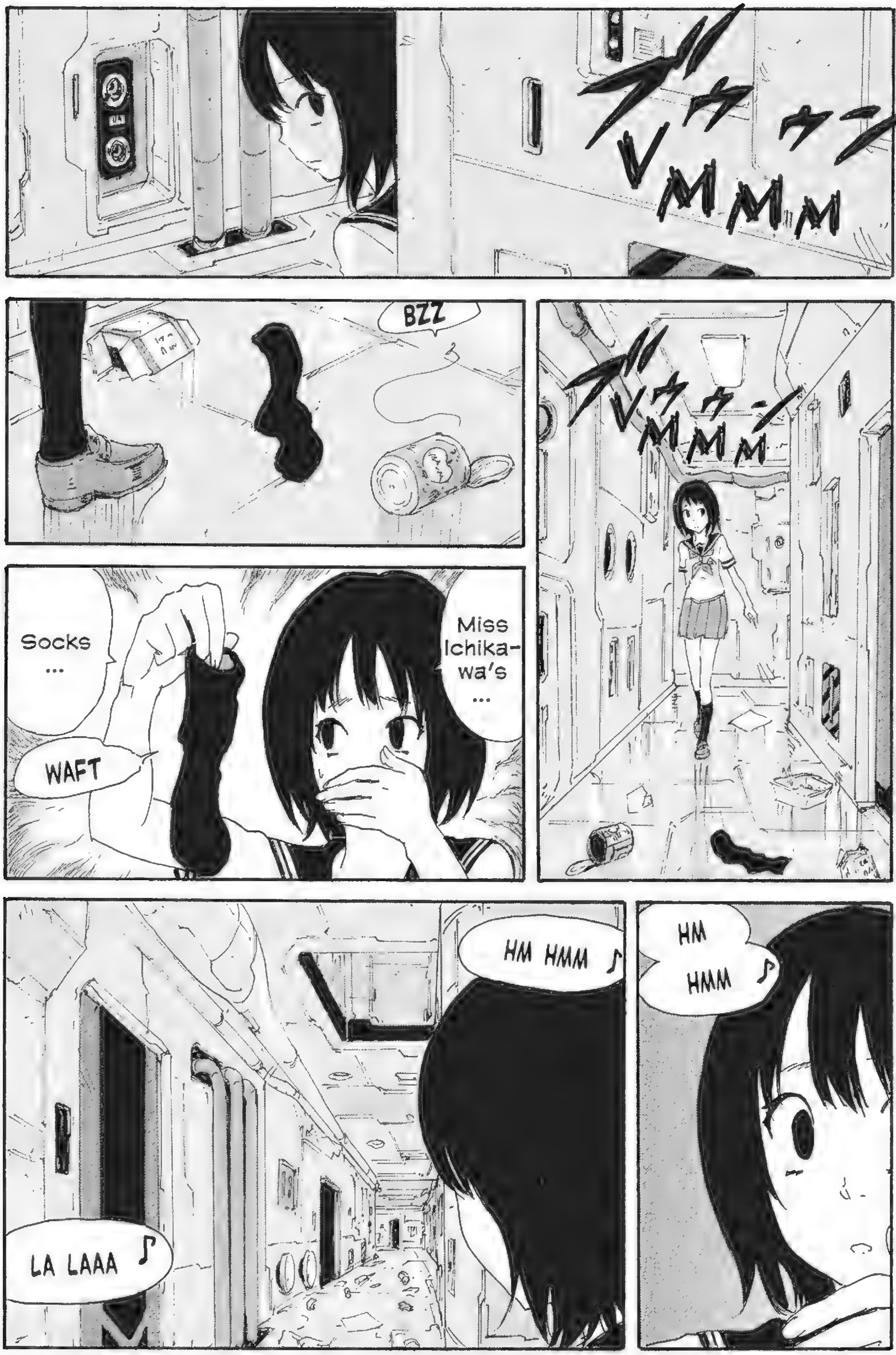

Let's eat—
Huh? Miss Tsuburaya?
I'm returning to Tokyo University...
...to check on Miss Ichikawa.
Huh?!
Wh- What about me?!
You'll be fine.
Don't overeat.

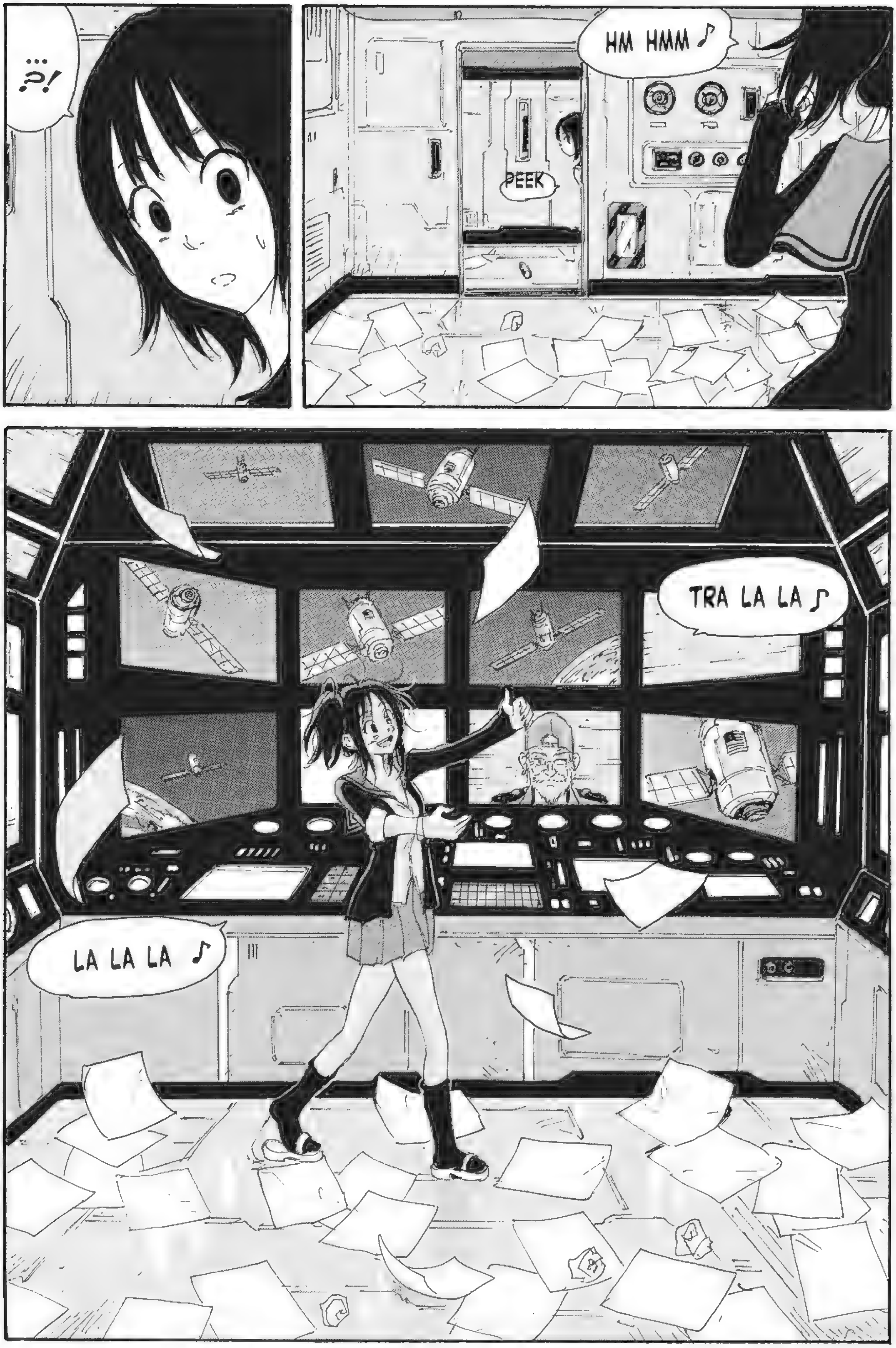

FWOOSH
109
MUNCH MUNCH
...
GREAT TOKYO BATTLE TASK FORCE HEAD-QUARTERS
Alright, you lot!

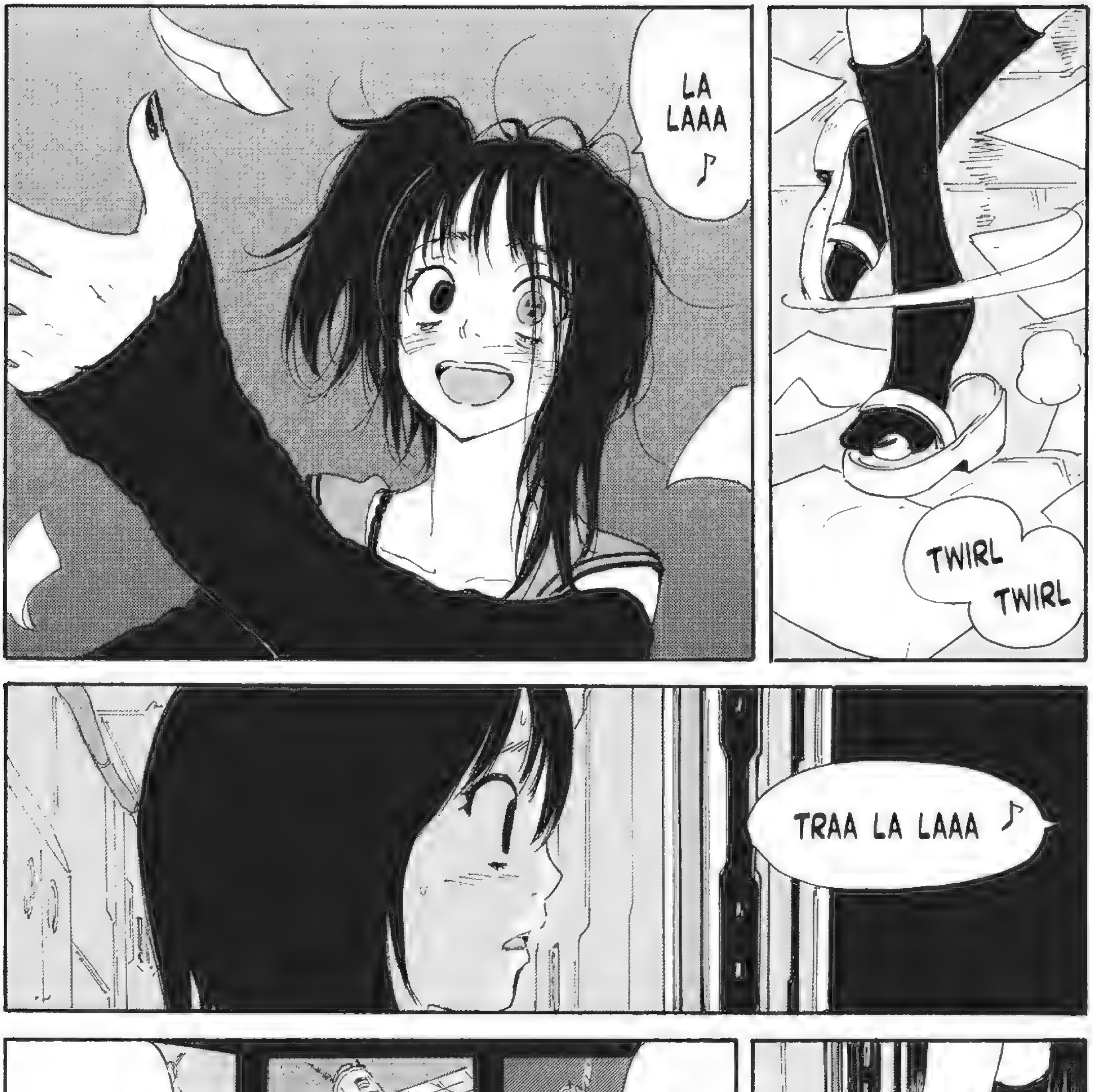

SMACK
COMMANDO TEAM
This is the Great Tokyo Battle commando team briefing!
I'm Kanon Ozu, your captain, which means my word is law!
Okay already! Hurry up and get started!
Um... Do I need to be here?
Here I am!
Sorry I'm late!
BAM
SMACK
Ow!
You're the team's main weapon, you dunce!
Stand over there!
COMMANDO TEAM
Y-Yessir, Captain sir!
Now listen up!
The commando team's in for some fierce fightin'!

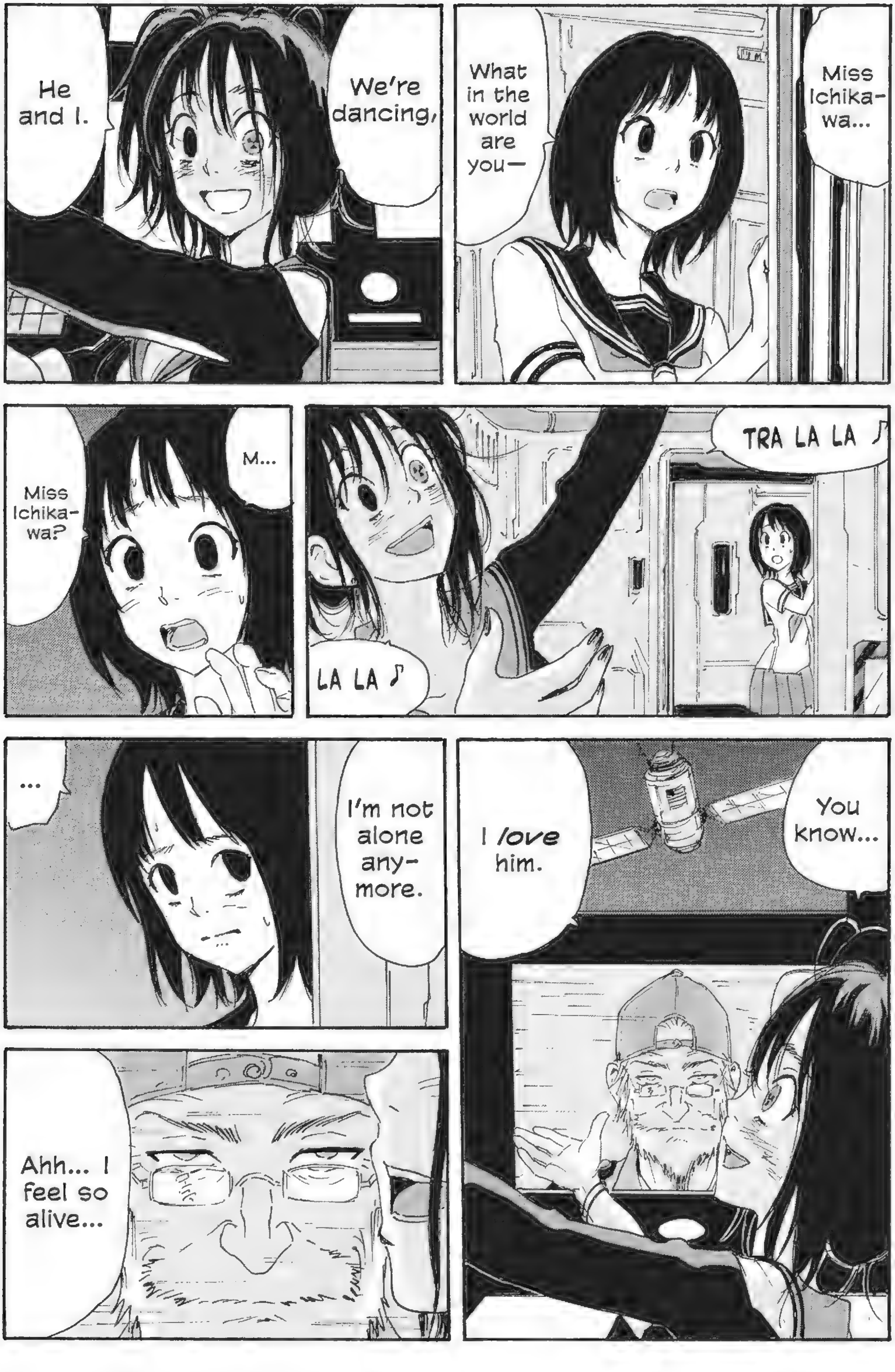

Five Black Wings. Eight Fossiloids.
We're gonna pull them into the city center and net 'em all in one fell swoop.
GRIK
GRIK
That's our primary mission!
COMMANDO
In one fell swoop —
You want to defeat them *all at once* ?!
No duh, doofus!
Should be a piece of cake for you and Mana Tsuburaya!
GRRIK
But, like ...
Miss Tsuburaya just *left*. ...for Tokyo U.

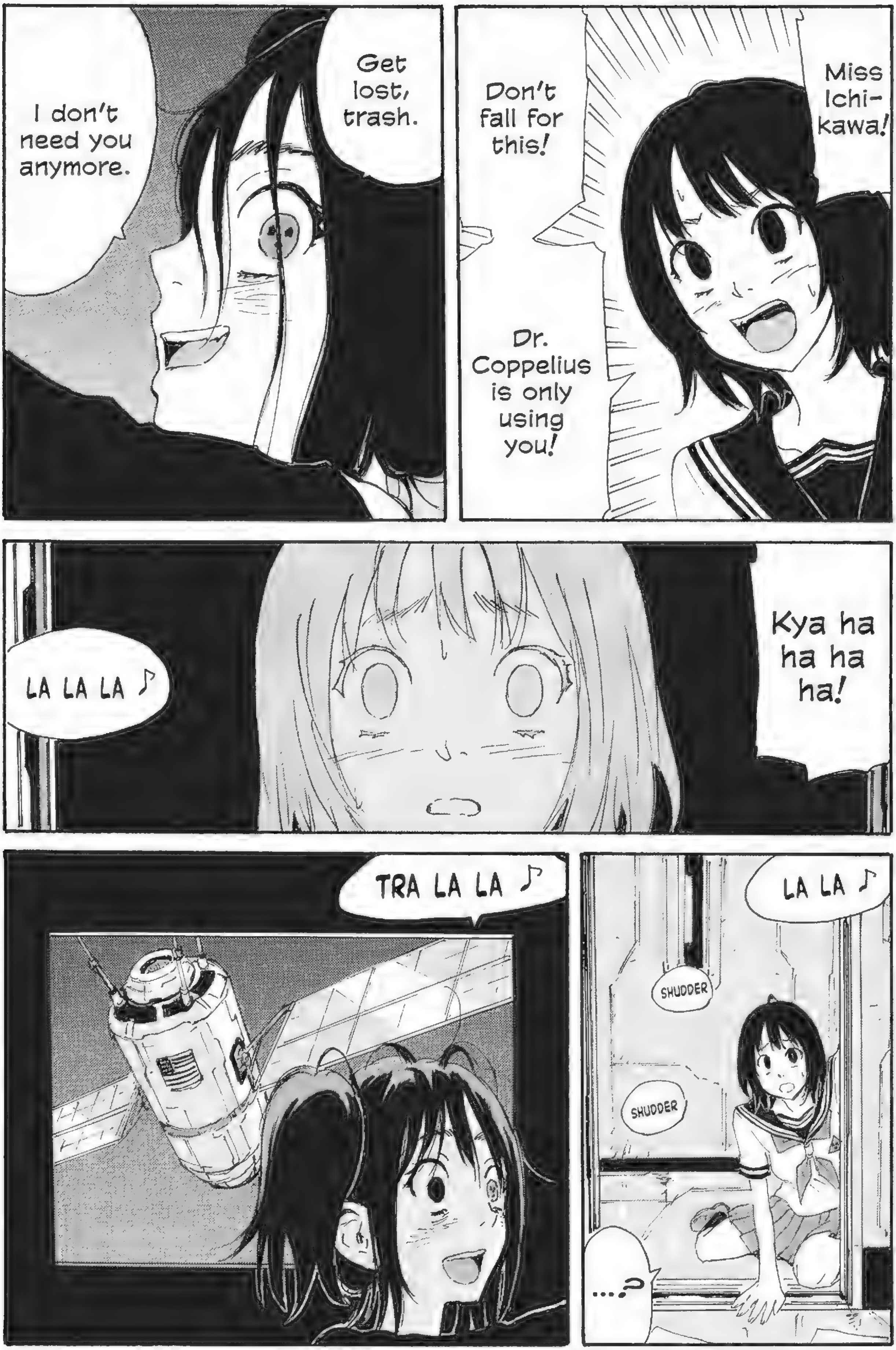

...
COMMANDO TEAM
Huh?
TOKYO UNIVERSITY
SWIIISH
SANSHIRO POND

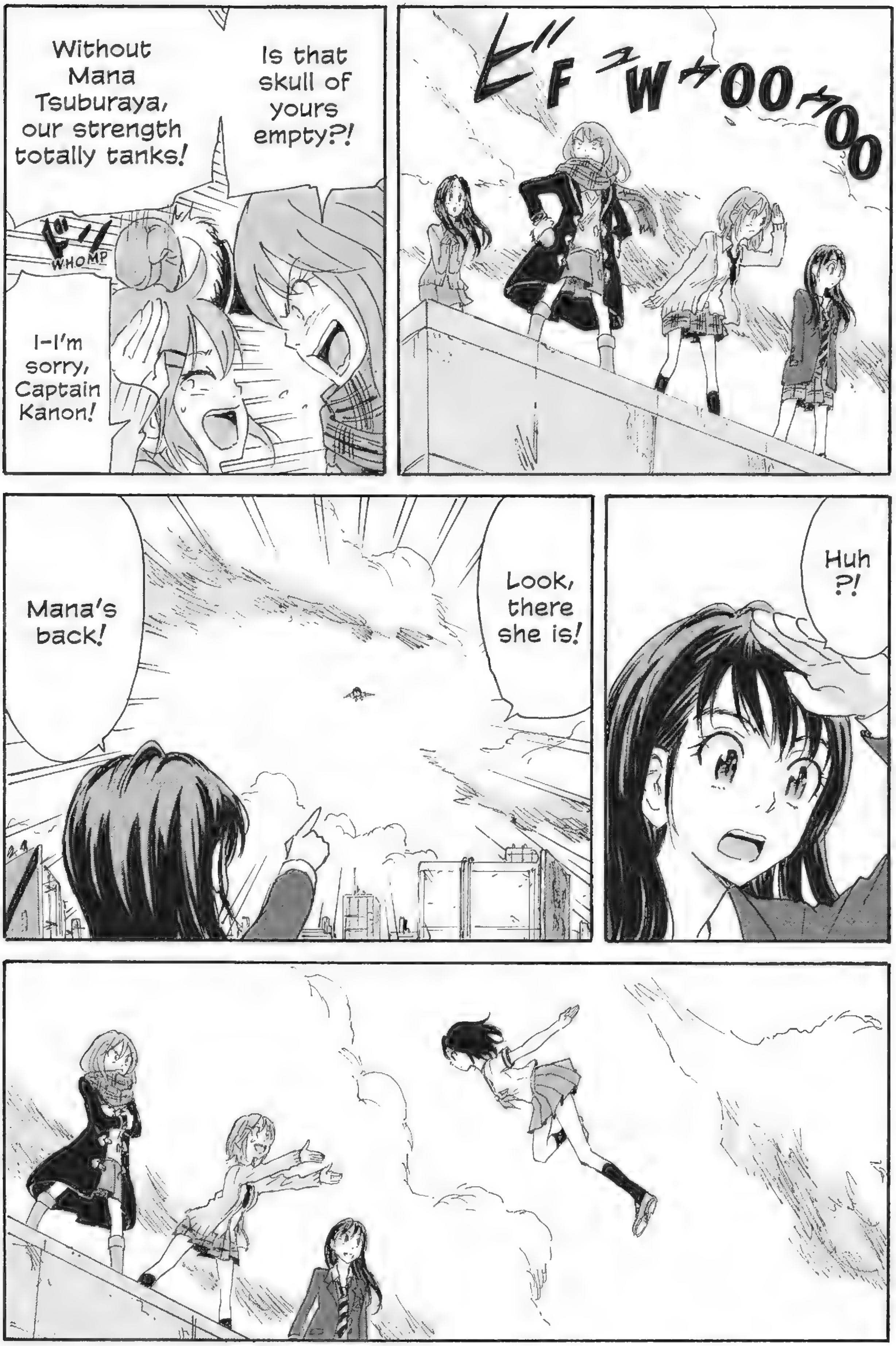

ブウウン
VMMM
ブウウーン
VMMM
BZZ
Miss Ichikawa's ...
Socks ...
WAFT
HM HMM ♪
HM HMM ♪
LA LAAA ♪

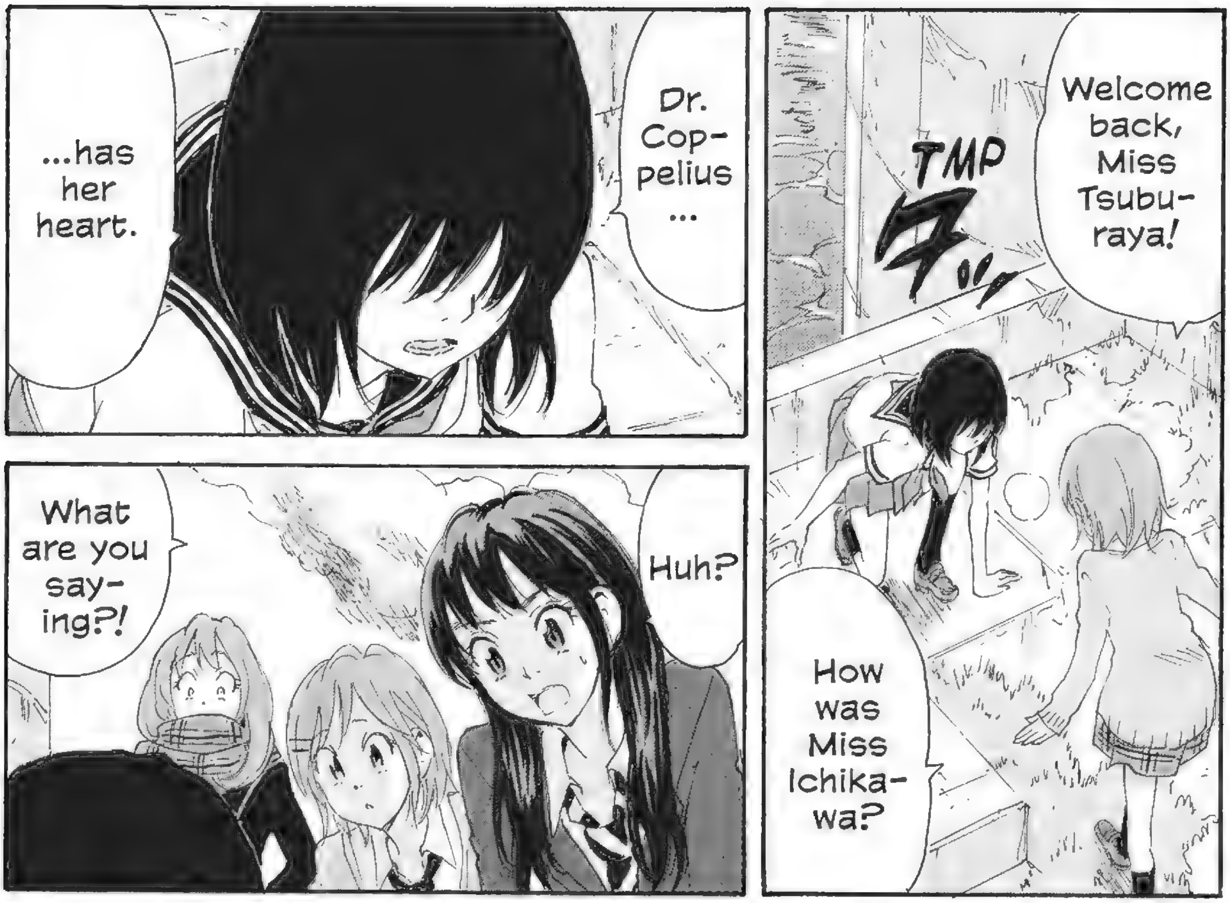

...?!
HM HMM ♪
PEEK
TRA LA LA ♪
LA LA LA ♪

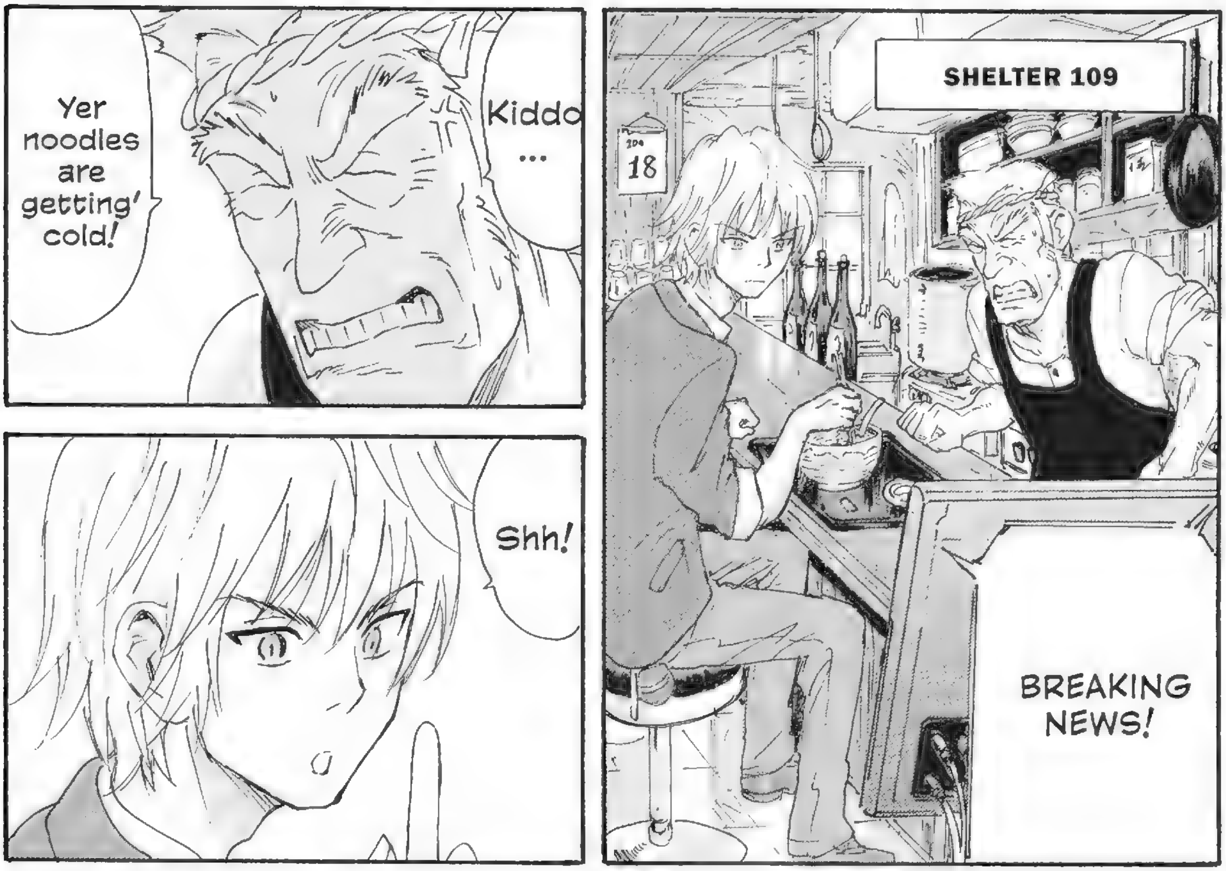

LA LAAA ♪
TWIRL TWIRL
TRAA LA LAAA ♪
Mana!
Oh...
Need something?
COFFEE
CLANK


Miss Ichikawa...
What in the world are you—
We're dancing,
He and I.
TRA LA LA ♪
LA LA ♪
M...
Miss Ichikawa?
You know...
I *love* him.
I'm not alone anymore.
...
Ahh... I feel so alive...


Miss Ichikawa!
Don't fall for this!
Dr. Coppelius is only using you!
Get lost, trash.
I don't need you anymore.
Kya ha ha ha ha!
LA LA LA ♪
LA LA ♪
SHUDDER
SHUDDER
...?
TRA LA LA ♪


FWOOOOOO
Is that skull of yours empty?!
Without Mana Tsuburaya, our strength totally tanks!
WHOMP
I-I'm sorry, Captain Kanon!
Huh?!
Look, there she is!
Mana's back!


Welcome back, Miss Tsuburaya!
TMP
How was Miss Ichikawa?
Dr. Coppelius...
...has her heart.
Huh?
What are you saying?!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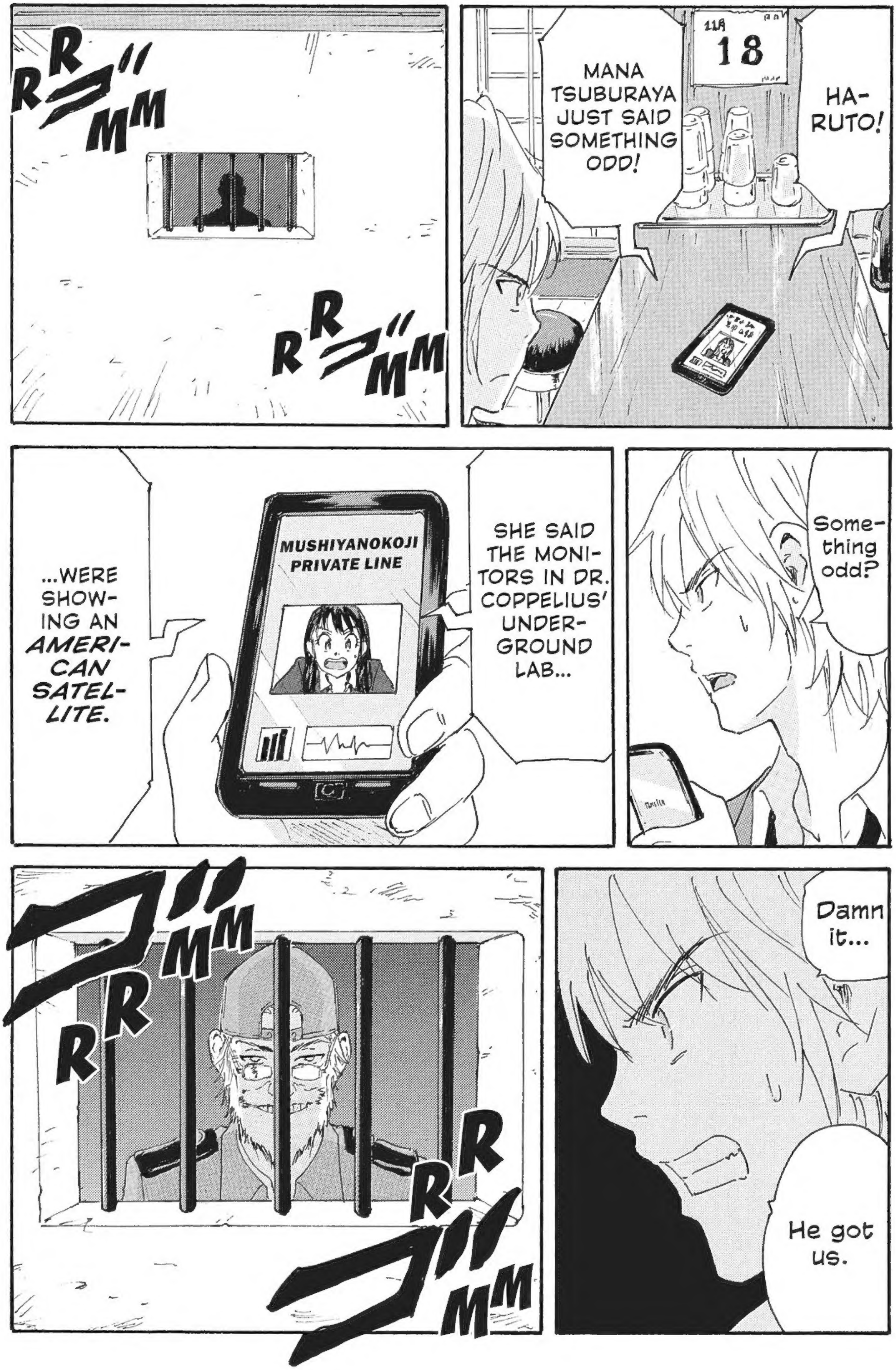
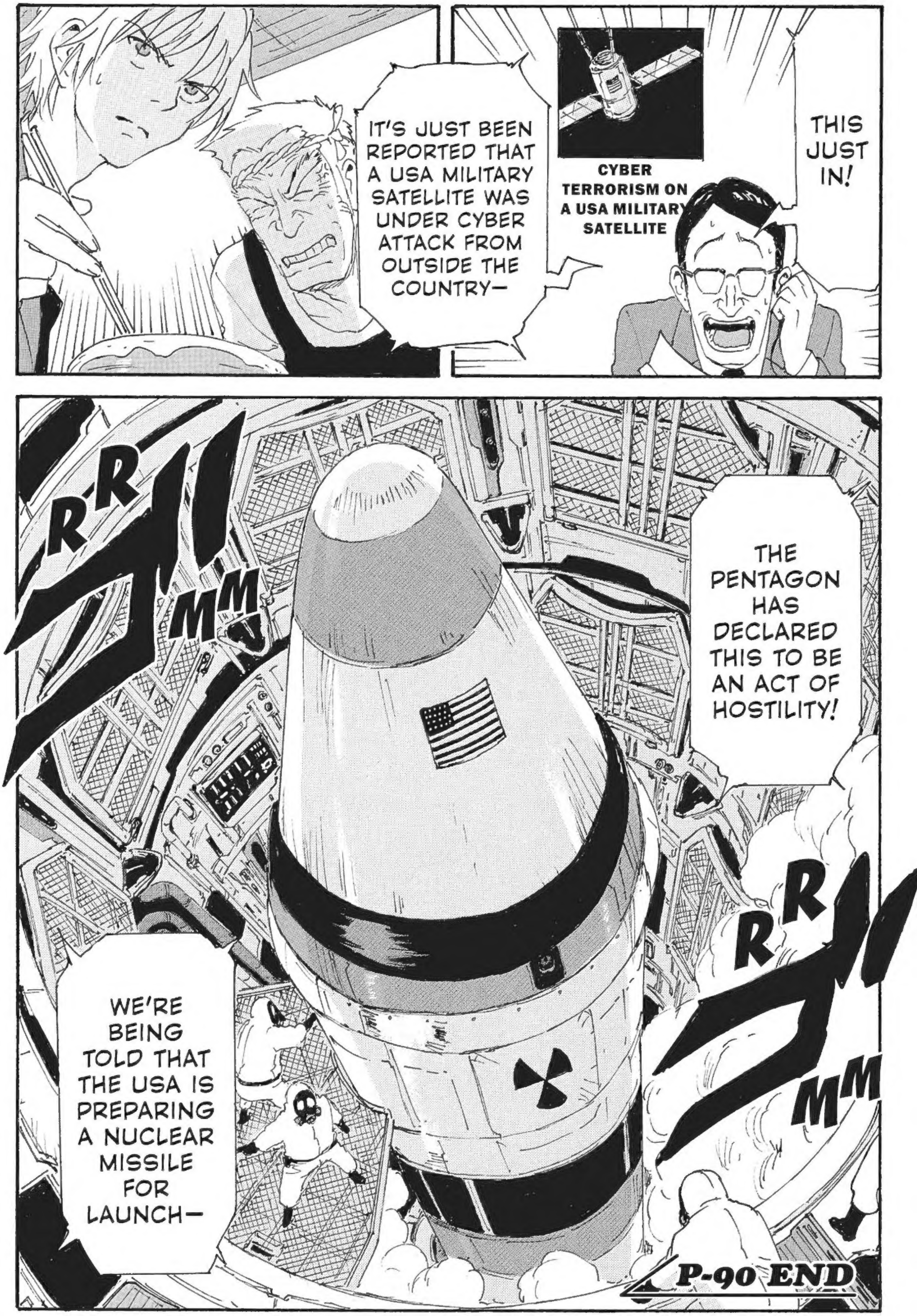
BREAKING NEWS!
Kiddo...
Yer noodles are getting' cold!
Shh!


HA-RUTO!
MANA TSUBURAYA JUST SAID SOMETHING ODD!
11月 18
RRゴ"MM
RRゴ"MM
Something odd?
SHE SAID THE MONITORS IN DR. COPPELIUS' UNDERGROUND LAB...
MUSHIYANOKOJI PRIVATE LINE
...WERE SHOWING AN *AMERICAN SATELLITE.*
Damn it...
He got us.
ゴ"MM RR
RRゴ"MM


THIS JUST IN!
CYBER TERRORISM ON A USA MILITARY SATELLITE
IT'S JUST BEEN REPORTED THAT A USA MILITARY SATELLITE WAS UNDER CYBER ATTACK FROM OUTSIDE THE COUNTRY—
THE PENTAGON HAS DECLARED THIS TO BE AN ACT OF HOSTILITY!
RRRMM
RRRMMM
WE'RE BEING TOLD THAT THE USA IS PREPARING A NUCLEAR MISSILE FOR LAUNCH—
P-90 END

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